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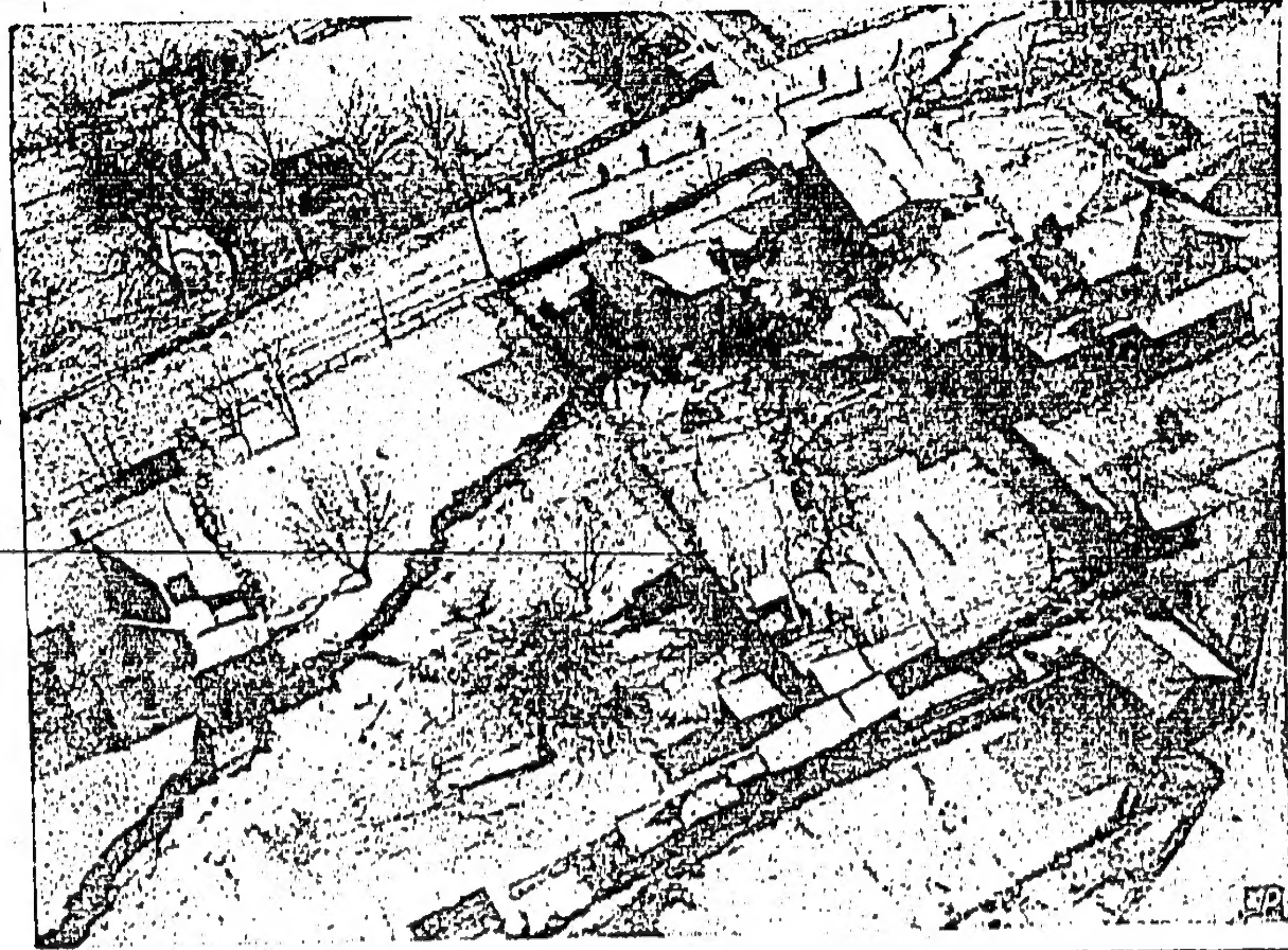
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## Ground Sags 40 Feet



The irregular black line running under houses shows depth to which ground in the coal mining town, of Carbondale, Philadelphia, dropped into an idle anthracite mine. Fourteen homes were damaged and 60 persons were made homeless. The earth sagged as much as 40 feet in some places.—AP Picture.

## 29 KILLED IN DERAILMENT

Madrid, Feb. 13.—Twenty-nine people were killed and 20 injured, some seriously, when the Barcelona-Madrid express was derailed between Guimacs and Mora La Nueva in Catalonia today.

Three coaches rolled down a 130-foot slope into a dry river basin below.

According to the Spanish news agency, Cifra, the dead passengers included an American, a Briton and a Cuban named Francisco Suarez Garcia of Havana.

Red Cross trains have been sent to the scene of the crash from Barcelona and Saragossa.—Reuter.

## EDITORIAL

### Recruiting Starts Today

GOVERNMENT launches today what is euphemistically described as its recruiting campaign for the new Hongkong Volunteer Defence Force. We wish it success, though at the same time we cannot avoid feeling some doubt on the score. The idea, as the blueprint for the reorganised HKVDF has become known, is the product of some earnest thinking and much hard work. As such it is a credit to Colonel Rids. Nevertheless, the conviction remains that in presenting it to the public in expectation of a popular response, too much faith has been placed on the internal merits of the scheme, and not enough attention devoted to the task of "putting it over." The five recruiting centres may all be reached with applicants to register for the new Defence Force: It is hoped such will be the case. But if reactions heard on the streets and in the clubs are any true indication, early recruiting is likely to be marked by a large measure of indifference. The manner in which the authorities have gone about the job of enticing the old and the new generation to sign up with the Defence Force has been markedly characterised—a few public speeches, one or two press hand-outs and a dinner for old comrades, and there you are: they lift the finger and expect the public to obey. Frankly we cannot believe this is enough. Even in England recruiting for the Territorials has demanded a more energetic campaign—local displays and nationwide appeals by the country's political leaders. Recruitment for soldiering is not so easy today as it was 15 years ago, not because loyalty is at a premium, but because men and women need now to be convinced of the necessity of devoting their

## "Abandon Japan" Press Conference Was Held Reports Denis Warner

Tokyo, Feb. 13.—Washington's categorical denial that high-ranking United States Army officials had said in Tokyo last week that the United States contemplated withdrawing her occupation troops from Japan has caused surprise in informed quarters here today.

Most of official Tokyo has known for a week that a special press conference, from which General Douglas MacArthur's Public Information Officer was excluded, was called last Sunday night by a high United States military authority and that only certain American correspondents were invited to attend.

The disclosures made at the conference were to be circulated without compromising the source.

Reuters later obtained a transcript of the press conference after agreeing to abide by the conditions imposed upon the American correspondents.

The transcript, quoting a high military authority directly, said: "I don't think we have a single obligation to these people (the Japanese) for anything."

"I don't think we have any moral obligation or any other kind of obligation to feed them or protect them. I tend to the opinion that it (Japan) is worthless in the case of a war with Russia. I don't know what our troops could do in the event of the outbreak of war. It might be better to pull out before war starts."

The transcript added that any announcement would be premature, but the source expected to say something about the situation in a month or two.

Following are other excerpts from the transcript: "I am not certain we could hold Japan, nor am I certain it would be worthwhile as long as we have Okinawa (midway between Japan and Formosa) and the Philippines, which are relatively safer and from where we can mount a strategic air attack. Nor would we have the problem of feeding a civil population of 80 million."

"The fact that some countries might think we have moral obligations in Japan to protect the Japanese is all the more reason why we should pull out before anything happens."

**CAN STILL USE DOLLARS**

"Even with a Russian Japan, we can still shove dollars in here to keep the Japanese anti-Communist and on our side."

The Japanese Kyodo news agency tonight quoted "a high-ranking officer of the Supreme Command in Japan" for the statement that nothing had happened anywhere to indicate that any change of policy had taken place in the United States.

The officer was quoted as saying that a "most highly inflammable fuel" had been placed in the hands of the Communists. "The people can rest secure that they will not be sacrificed by any United States action. They can rest safely in the knowledge that no action is to be taken which will not encourage a peaceful, sturdy growth in world relations."

This was the first official statement from a Supreme Command source on the reports, which are still causing a sensation here.—Reuter.—A.P.

## BOTTLE FIGHT AT FUNERALS

Manila, Feb. 14.—Two funeral processions argued for the right of way at a cemetery here and two persons were injured by glass from broken bottles in the ensuing fight.

At the height of the fighting, the cemetery watchman fired shots into the air, causing the pallbearers to scatter and abandon the dead. Order was restored later and the funerals proceeded. One man was arrested and several others were sought by the police.—United Press. Reuter.

# REDS AGREE TO A MARITIME CONFERENCE

## Restoration Of China Shipping Envisaged

### FOREIGNERS IN PEIPING AWAIT SIGNAL

Shanghai, Feb. 13.—The Communist high command has agreed to a maritime conference to discuss the reopening of shipping between Red-occupied ports and Nationalist China, the Communist radio said today.

One ship, the Greater Shanghai, flying the British flag, is enroute to Communist-held Chinwangtao with a load of flour to be bartered for coal. The broadcast followed the departure of the second unofficial Nationalist peace delegation to Peiping, which hopes to persuade the Communists to call a conference to end the 22 years of civil war.

At the same time, a Communist spokesman strongly rejected any possibility of United Nations intervention in China and again accused the government of preparing for war.

The broadcast said that the Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, and Mr. Chou En-lai had agreed to discuss the restoration of shipping at a maritime conference. The time and place of the conference were not disclosed.

The radio said Mao and Chou sent a message to the National and Shanghai Steamship Associations agreeing to discuss the restoration of China's coastal shipping. The broadcast said the restoration of maritime transport between North China and Shanghai is considered very important for the development of production.

Many still marvel at the smooth way in which the changeover was effected, seeing it involved many Nationalist divisions and the entry of strong Red forces.

In fact, the Reds were here several days before the process of Nationalist withdrawal was completed.

A curfew appears to be no longer in force, though no notice formally rescinding it has been issued. Theatres and other places of amusements, which did little or no business during the siege, now are trying to make up past losses.

The Peiping Club, which for two weeks closed down daily at 7.30 p.m. now is keeping open until 10 p.m.

Various missions appear to be carrying on without interference.—Associated Press.

### AN "INSULT"

The Communist spokesman commented on a proposal by Australian Foreign Minister, Dr. Ewart that the Chinese dispute be laid before the United Nations and on Nationalist Premier Sun Fo's acceptance of Ewart's proposal. The spokesman said the United Nations has the right to interfere in China's internal affairs. He called Dr. Ewart's proposal at Canberra an "insult to the Chinese people."

The Communist commentator reported that over 300,000 people turned out on Saturday to celebrate Peiping's "liberation" and said that Communist General Yeh Chien-ying told the cheering crowd that the Government's plot to carry on the war while feigning peace talks must be "thoroughly exposed and smashed."

For the third consecutive day, the broadcast repeated charges against the American correspondents, Michael Keon of United Press and Spencer Moore of Associated Press, saying that they "slandered" the people of Peiping by implying in their stories that the city's welcome to the Red armies lacked enthusiasm.—United Press.

### BUSINESSMEN ANXIOUS

Peiping, Feb. 14.—Foreign quarters here await somewhat impatiently the day the Communists establish some channel for contact with them. Businessmen are particularly anxious on the subject of the few who remained here stayed behind with the idea of trade.

Foreign correspondents also are eager for some means of contact. They want to obtain at first hand some idea of the various Red policies—land reform, trade, foreign affairs.

One theory is the Reds took Peiping much sooner than expected, and were consequently unprepared for the many complicated problems awaiting them in this big city.

Consular quarters would also like some avenue to approach the Reds and have dealings with them without any suggestions of recognition, implied or other side.

There are also speculators here—American, British, Soviet, Dutch, Italian and Belgian.

### NO MOLESTATION

During parades and other demonstrations, many foreigners make it a practice to remain indoors to avoid the possibility of incidents.

Those who have ventured out report they were in no way molested.

The general view in since the Reds entered Peiping two weeks ago, law and order will be maintained. Red troops have been well behaved and well disciplined—this is the view of both foreigners and Chinese.

## Speech Causes Trouble



Earl Baldwin of Bewdley, Governor of the Leeward Islands, who has been recalled as a result of a public speech he made recently. He has declared that he will have to be sacked before he resigns his post.

## "Not Giving Up Job Unless I'm Sacked"

### SAYS BALDWIN OF BEWDLEY

London, Feb. 13.—Earl Baldwin of Bewdley, 49-year old Governor of the Leeward Islands, in the West Indies, who was recalled here by the Colonial Office, will tell the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, tomorrow that "unless I return to the Leeward Islands I will not be responsible for what may happen," according to today's Sunday Dispatch.

On arriving unexpectedly at Newhaven last night, the Labour Peer told a reporter for another Sunday newspaper, the News of the World, "You can quote me as saying that I certainly am not giving up the job unless I am sacked."

Mr. Creech Jones told the House of Commons on Wednesday that sugar planters on the islands had not sought the Governor's recall and that he himself had not "taken umbrage" at the Governor's speech opening the islands' Legislative Council last December. The speech implied criticism of British colonial policy and administration.

"Bombed with demands" from both Labour and Conservative Members for assurances that Lord Baldwin would be returning to the islands, the Colonial Secretary would say only that the Governor was coming here for "consultations," adding: "I am not at this stage going to prejudge the future."

**"DEEPER THINGS"**  
In a front-page interview in the Sunday Dispatch, Earl Baldwin was quoted as saying: "I may be sacked. You can discount my speech that the papers made so much of. They are not annoyed about that. There was nothing wrong with it. There are deeper things than that."

The pipe-smoking bachelor son of the late Prime Minister, Lord Baldwin, said he could not discuss the reason for his recall. "But I know the white nigger in the woodpile," he continued. "You see, I have always tried to be human, and they say it lacks dignity."

"The Leeward Islands are backward—very backward. Hospital service—shocking. Social services—money urgently needed."

Of the islands' white population which, he said, did not approve of his policies, Earl Baldwin said: "Do you know, I never met a Tory in the islands. As some of the white people there, they just don't exist anywhere else."

**DESIRES IMPARTIALITY**  
He wanted to be impartial between the natives and the small white population, the Governor said. "For that reason I think the natives benefited they were getting a fair deal." Recalling how he settled three

## Search For Two Missing Sailors

Dover, Feb. 13.—The Dover lifeboat was searching today for two seamen missing from the British coastal steamer Granny Suzanne (503 tons) which sank off the Dover-Folkestone coast early today after being in a collision with the Panamanian steamer, San Miguel Bay (5,670 tons).

The London-registered Granny Suzanne was so seriously damaged that she sank almost immediately. The Panamanian ship lowered a lifeboat which picked up five of the coaster's 11-man crew.

Another British coastal vessel, the 407-ton Signally, which was nearby, rescued four other members of the crew and brought them here.

The San Miguel Bay is owned by the Societe de Navigation Alba, of Panama.—Reuter.

## Four Killed When Angry Mob Attacks Ecuador Radio Station

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Feb. 13.—Reports from the Ecuador city of Quito said an angry mob on Sunday burned the El Comercio Building where a radio station was broadcasting a story of an invasion from Peru.

Four persons were killed and several were injured in the fire which completely destroyed the building.

The newspaper El Telegrafo of Guayaquil said that the radio station, owned by El Comercio, a Quito newspaper, was broadcasting a dramatization of a supposed Peruvian invasion. The centre of the invasion in the play was the town of Cotacallao near Quito.

The vivid and realistic description caused panic among listeners who rushed into the streets. When they realised that the programme was fictitious they began a protest demonstration, first breaking the radio station's windows, and setting fire to rolls of newspaper.

The mob then attacked the staff of the newspaper who had taken refuge in the upper storeys of the building where they were trapped.

Several persons jumped from the third storey's windows.

Police aid was slow to rally because mobile police units had been sent to nearby Cotacallao, scene of the radio-reported "invasion," to investigate. Police officials said

they thought Cotacallao was the scene of the broadcast, which gave realistic eyewitness accounts.

The broadcast was based on the late Mr. H. G. Wells book "The War of the Worlds" which also inspired Orson Welles' famous "Mars Invasion" broadcast in New York in 1938.

Mr. Orson Welles, when directing the Mercury Theatre of the Air, devised a new style broadcast of a supposititious invasion of Martian monsters that was so realistic that frantic suburban dwellers in New Jersey fled from their homes. In thousands and New Yorkers began a mass exodus to Westchester county and Connecticut.—Associated Press.





### Don't take chances with that Smile!

As soon as you see a warning tinge of 'pink' on your tooth brush, visit your dentist.

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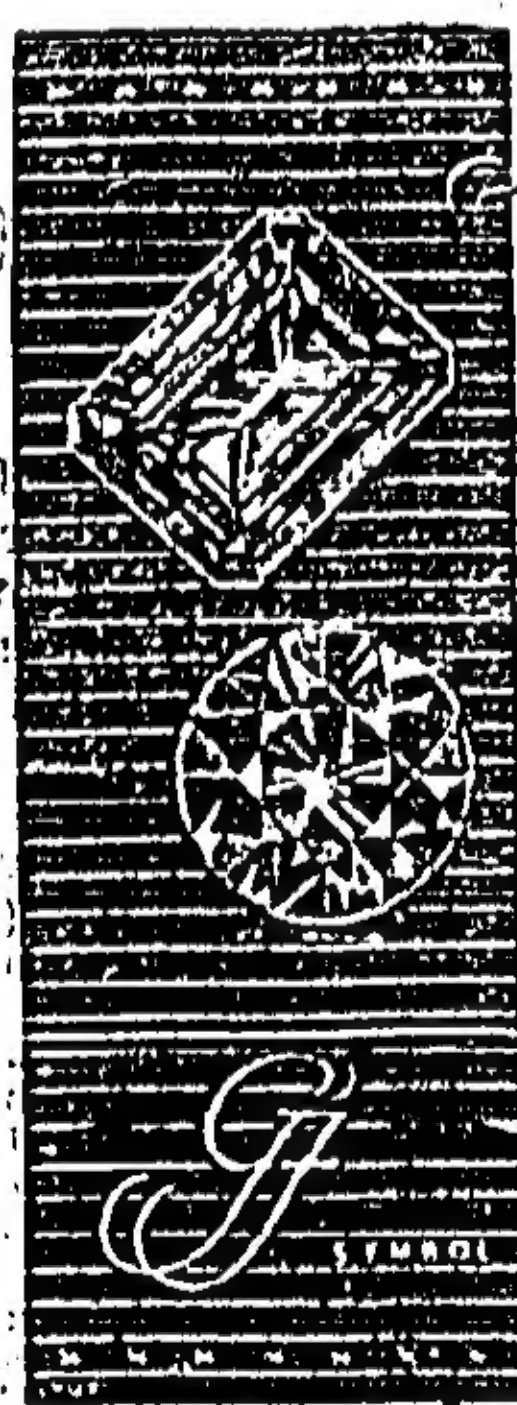
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# WOMANSENSE

## Looking Right Ahead



By PRUNELLA WOOD

THIS is the time of the year when looking at fashions for the sunny south is the greatest show on earth (in fashion). Whether one vacations during these months or not, the new clothes are prophetic of spring and summer costumes everywhere, and even the snow sport experts can look forward to the warmer season.

From a bewilderingly attractive collection of Dorothy Cox's facile talents comes this cotton suit for the new sun season. The soft swing of the skirt, and the easy cut of the nipped jacket with petal extremities is notably pretty; what's even prettier is the brand new fabric from which the outfit is made. A shot taffeta of cotton in black olive shade, a changeable gloy of olive green and very dark copper colour.

## Cary Grant As A Baby Doctor

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD—Cary Grant is one of the few men who can wear a mandolin with aplomb. It's part of his costume as a small-town high school boy, a feat Grant also carries off with aplomb. "These were pretty sharp in the sticks," he said, strumming a sour chord on the mandolin. "I can't play it, but I used to play a uke. Used to play 'Dardanella.' That was a beauty."

Along with the mandolin, Grant wears tight white flannel pants, striped shirt and starched collar. It's a "period" costume of 1931 for RKO's "Every Girl Should Be Married."

"This outfit gets no farther than a photograph album in the picture," Grant said, with relief. "It's for pictures of me as a high school dandy. Actually I play a baby doctor."

The baby doctor, at one point, expounds on child-rearing, and the studio is making sure he says the right thing. It consulted a prominent child psychologist to put the right words in Grant's mouth.

The movie introduces RKO's double discovery, Betsy Drake. Grant met her on board a ship when she was coming back from a London play and brought her around to the studio for the part. "It's just business, not romance," he said. "Everyone needs a helping hand along the line. Now, I remember how a vaudeville writer, Eugene Connel, helped me by getting me my first double act. And Joe von Sternberg helped me a lot too. You know what he told me? 'He told me I was parting my hair wrong. He told me to part it way over on the right. I've been parting it there ever since.'"

EVERY child from the time he begins to creep a bit till he is past two should have a baby pen. An ingenious father or mother could make one at very little cost. In case it is homemade the tins or bars should be close enough together to be safe. There are good baby pens on the market and any young couple could afford to cut expenses in ever so many other ways in order to have a sturdy baby pen. Any convertible one that can easily be folded has great merit. It can easily be moved from one room to the other or placed outdoors. It can be carried in a car when you go visiting with the child.

The baby pen is a great means of safety and protection to the child and a great time and energy saver for the mother. In it the child can have practice at pulling himself up to his feet and standing as he holds to the sides. In it he may easily learn to stand alone, even walk alone. As the tot likes to be in your sight you can move this play pen about and still keep him from under your feet while you are busy with your work. If you will check on him when he begins to try to climb over it, you can train him to stay in it to a far greater age than most parents do.

### A PLAY PEN

Having a play pen enables you to train the tot consistently and systematically to avoid things dangerous to him about the house and things he might harm or destroy and also to train him effectively not to get into everything.

Plan a programme so that for a few short periods of ten, fifteen or twenty minutes daily you will let everything else go while you have him loose out of the pen. Centre at first on just one thing he must avoid (as fireplace, floor lamp, gas jet). Put away some of the unnecessary knick knacks. Merely intercept him and keep him from other forbidden things without even saying "No."

But the one thing (more later) you have resolved to teach him to avoid you will centre on. Say "No" just once and in a moderate tone as he is about to touch or seize it and at the same time slap his bare hand sharply as you hold this hand to your other hand. Don't push the forbidden thing away or pull him away. Always let him choose and get instant pain the moment he is about to touch the forbidden thing.

If he persists in spite of the immediate-pain-without-exception, for over four or five times in succession, either divert him to other in-

## PARTY ON VALENTINE'S DAY

By ELEANOR ROSS

IF you are contemplating a party to celebrate St. Valentine's Day today, here are some hints for you. In many households, this day is chosen to announce an engagement, surely, the most appropriate day of all the year!

While, of course, it is all very nice to call in a caterer or one of those clever party services, there is a great deal of joy and satisfaction in working out the affair right in the house, with the assistance of family and friends. Everyone likes preparing for a party, so give people a chance to demonstrate their ingenuity with place cards, favours and other table decorations.

### Paper Seals

One place card is gay with "flowers." For these, buy gummed red paper seals of heart shape, which many paper stores carry. Moisten the backs of two, fasten them together, back to back, with one end of a 3-inch length of spool wire fastened in between.

Make five of these "flowers" for each place card. Group them in a nosegay and insert the wire ends through a frilly white paper dolly. Gather the stems back of the dolly and wrap them together with a narrow strip of red crepe paper cut against the grain.

Cut a place card about 3/4 inch wide and 4 inches long, from light cardboard. Round inches of the card at one end to form a support for the card and bouquet, which should be tied to the card with red ribbons.

### Heart Lady

For a fine bit of frivolity, contrive a merry heart lady place card. Buy ready-made heart cut-outs and use one for the face. Make the eyes with a small gummed blue seal pasted over a slightly larger white circle. Shape the mouth out of white paper. For a hat, tie a tiny white paper dolly lace will also dress her up. Fold a heart cut-out in half and paste the face to the upright tip. Write the guest's name in white ink across the heart face or in coloured ink on her dolly hat.

Make little nut and candy cups out of the little fluted paper cups available at the dime store. Decorate the sides of the cup with tiny heart-shaped seals, and paste the cup itself on a heart cut out of light red cardboard.

## Don't Distort Your Eyebrows



The correct way to tweeze the eyebrows is to work from the underside of the brow, following its natural arch.

By HELEN FOLLETT

GIRLS who distort their eyebrows in weird patterns, either by excessive tweezing or by the use of the eyebrow, overlook the fact that nature has a crafty way of designing brows that harmonise with the features and facial contour. The eyebrow that looks like a wisp of black darning cotton is not of the mode; it does not belong with present day dress fashions, and it is silly in the first place. While no woman wants to have heavy eyebrows, she shouldn't desire to delete them altogether.

Beauticians are treating eyebrows that have been mutilated almost beyond repair by light friction with mineral oil. They say, and every woman whose brain clicks will agree, that the pen and ink line makes the face look hard and brittle. It is particularly deplorable if the seker after youth and beauty belongs to the bracket of the faded sisters, her face showing

fine lines. The fact that it is no longer fashionable should bring about a change for the better, the better being brows of more natural design. If eyebrows are too wide, tweeze them on both borders, not just on the lower edge that will place them too high. If the colour is too light, that they lend little or no expression to the face, use a dark brown eyebrow. Do not form a straight, heavy line. Do little strokes the way the hair grows, being careful not to press down upon the skin.

It is a temptation to extend the pencilled line beyond the point where the eyebrow terminates. It can be done if the touch is light. A heavy application imparts an unnaturally made up appearance. Make up is being soft pedalled. Time it was! The limit has been reached and now, as with all fashions, there is a turn-about.



## Preparing School Lunches

AS a forward-looking experiment a years ago, half pint bottles of milk were served regularly to children in the primary grades of the Los Angeles schools. The rise in good scholarship was spectacular. Now, about twenty-five years later, supervised hot lunches are provided on a nationwide scale for millions of children. And when a complete lunch is not available, milk or a hot dish may be purchased to supplement the home-packed lunch.

Fortunately for the physical and mental health of the coming generation, the school lunch programme is getting stronger every day; and I hope every mother reading this column will investigate and if necessary, co-operate with the lunch programme of her child's school. The American Medical Association has published a booklet called, "Sanitary Requirements for School Lunches." This booklet is an excellent guide for a check-up in two ways: (1) When you investigate the school lunch served to your child. (2) When you apply the same rules and criticism to your own kitchen. Here are some leading questions:

Does the cook cover her mouth and nose when she coughs or sneezes, and wash her hands after using a handkerchief? Does she use tongs, forks, and similar utensils when serving or dispensing foods? Do the foods make up a balanced meal?

**Storing Foods**  
Are all foods stored satisfactorily to ensure safe keeping until used? (All perishable foods should be kept no higher than 45°F.)

Is all milk pasteurized? Is it refrigerated immediately and kept at 45°F. or below?

Are all cereals, flour, sugar and other staples stored in dust-proof, vermin-proof containers? (They should not be kept in open boxes.) Are all home-canned non-acid vegetables boiled 15 minutes before tasting and serving, to kill possible botulism germs?

**Hot Running Water.**  
Are all dishes scraped, thoroughly washed with plenty of soap or detergent in hot running water, and finally submerged in clean hot water at 170°F. for at least two minutes?

Are dishes allowed to drain dry? (Towel-drying is unsanitary and old-fashioned.)

Are garbage tins washed regularly and kept clean?

If the school lunch patronised by your child can honestly answer "yes" to each of the above questions, the food will be sanitary, adequate and attractively served.

**Dinner**  
Grapefruit Juice  
Individual Stuffed Fish Dark Bread  
Hominy, Cuts Mixed with  
Sautéed Green Peppers  
Cooked Vegetable Salad  
Bread and Butter Custard Squares  
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children).  
All Measurements Are Level.  
Recipes Serve Four

**Individual Stuffed Fish**  
Purchase 4 very small fish, any kind. They should not weigh more than 3/4 to 1 lb. apiece. If they are

larger, buy only 2 and serve half to a person. Order the fish cleaned and if possible boned. Otherwise remove the bones at home. Dust with salt and pepper. Fill with a vegetable stuffing. Place in a well oiled pan; pour over a little melted fat, dust with salt and pepper and bake 30 min. in a slow to moderate oven, 350 to 375°F. Baste twice with 1/4 c. hot water. When done the fish should be light brown and look flaky. Place on a heated serving platter and pour over 1 1/2 tsp. butter or margarine, melted with 1 tsp. lemon juice.

**Vegetable Stuffing for Fish:**  
Through the medium-sized blade of the food chopper, put 1/2 c. hot water, 1 small peeled potato, 1/2 a small peeled onion, 1 stalk celery, and 2 sprigs parsley; mix with 1/2 c. soft-bread crumbs, 2 tsp. melted butter, margarine or saffron fat, 1/2 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper.

**Bread and Butter Custard Squares**  
Beat 2 1/2 c. milk with 1/4 c. fine white bread crumbs. Let stand 10 min. Meanwhile beat 2 eggs frothy. Add 1/4 c. sugar, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg and 1/4 tsp. salt. Pour in the milk mixture. Transfer to a well-buttered 8 in. square baking utensil. Lightly butter 2 slices of white bread and cut in 1 in. squares. Float on top of the custard; dust with 1/2 tsp. granulated sugar. Place in a pan of hot water and bake in a hot oven, 400°F. about 35 min., or until a knife when inserted in the centre comes out clean. Remove at once from the hot water, cool and chill. Cut in squares and serve with stewed plum sauce.

**School Lunch at Home**  
If children come home for lunch, every second of time must be saved, for the 45 or 60 minutes allowed in most cases, is a very short time for children to get home, eat a meal, and return to school without being late. The meal must be ready when they arrive. It must be easy to eat, preferably a one-dish meal, such as a stew or ragout; supplemented by a spoon dessert, such as stewed fruit or custard.

**Dinner**  
Sauterkraut Blend Cocktail  
Roast Celery-Stuffed Veal  
Gravy Sweet Potatoes  
Braised Whole Tomatoes  
Warm Rolls  
Sliced Peaches  
Coffee or Tea  
Sponge Cake  
Milk (Children)

**Brown Gravy**  
Pour off excess fat from the roasting pan leaving 3 tsp. of fat and brown particles. Transfer this to a qt.-sized sauce pan. Heat and stir in 4 tsp. flour and 1 tsp. gravy seasoning. When well blended gradually add 2 c. liquid drained from boiled potatoes. Or if not available use 2 c. plain boiling water. Cook and stir until boiling rapidly. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

**Trick of the Chef**  
For sauerkraut cocktail with a punch, combine 1 c. sauerkraut juice, 1 c. tinned vegetable juice, 1 1/2 tsp. lemon juice, 1/4 tsp. tabasco sauce and 1/2 c. crushed ice. Mix or shake well and serve.

## Slim Lines



By VERA WINSTON

PICTURED IS A lovely slim dress, a lady-like affair that is also striking. It is done in three shades of gray tissue weight woolen. The bodice and two top tiers are in light gray, deeper gray is the shade of the third tier and deep oxford gray for the final tier. The dipping tiers are cut slantwise to elongate the line. The bodice has long, slim sleeves and a high round neckline with two tabs.



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**"AH TO BE IN ENGLAND"**—Mrs Alfred Wright of Boston, Massachusetts, is pleased to be home in the United States after three years in England. Bill, Dako and Faust can't quite see what's so good about the place. "So what" seems to be the reaction of the English boxers on their arrival in New York on the liner Caronia.



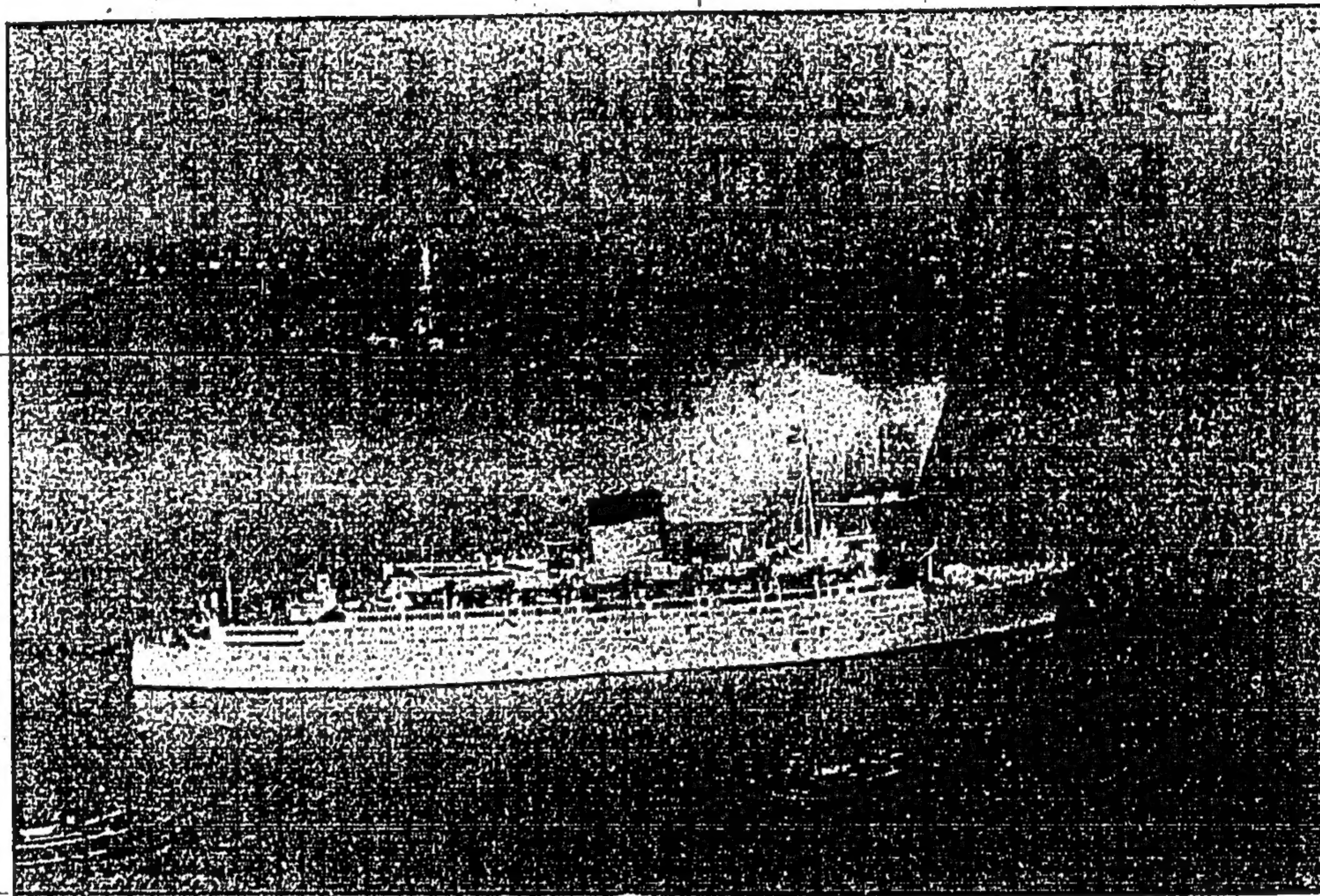
**AN ATTRACTIVE EXPERT**—Casa Marina's tennis instructor, Sarah Palfrey Cooke, adapts handleader Xavier Cugat's batonwielding grip to that of a tennis racket at the Key West hotel. The former U.S. women's national tennis champion is an attractive and instructive teacher.



**LIGHTS GO ON AGAIN**—Members of an industrial corporation check plans in New York for lighting the Brazilian city of Belem. They intend to reintroduce the use of electrical power to the South American city by rehabilitating a plant built by the British in 1905.



**RECORD JET FLIGHT**—Lt. Col. Bill Haviland, left, and Lt. Harry Howell relax at LaGuardia Field after flying from Chicago to New York in one hour, 21 minutes and eight seconds—30 minutes faster than the record—in P-80 Shooting Star jets.



**MAIDEN RUN**—A fireboat and a fleet of gaily bedecked tugs greet the new English liner Caronia as she steams majestically past the Statue of Liberty on her maiden voyage to New York. In addition to the regular Atlantic crossings, the 34,000-ton vessel, largest to be built since the war, will make Caribbean cruises during the winter.



**NIGHT SPECTACLE**—Three hoses play on the side of a warehouse in lower Manhattan at a recent fire. Sixty New York appliances were employed for two and one-half hours to bring the blaze under control.



**A POCKET FOR EVERYTHING**—Singers Kitty Kallen and Vic Damone try out the latest in cocktail aprons at a New York party. Made of sturdy denim piped with red tape, the aprons have 14 labelled pockets for basic party needs.



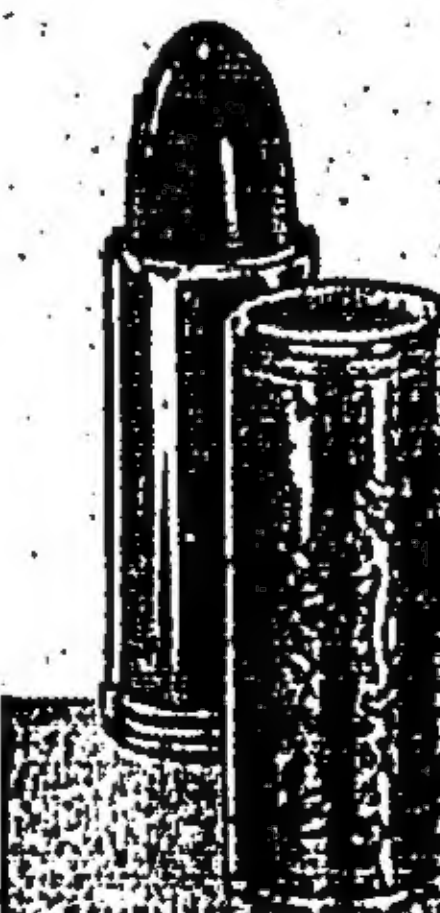
**BABY PARADE**—A few of them look like mighty tough, but it is still "babes" day at the annual Pram Race at Bognor, England. To the delight of some 500 spectators, many of the hefty "babes" took a spill from their carriages.

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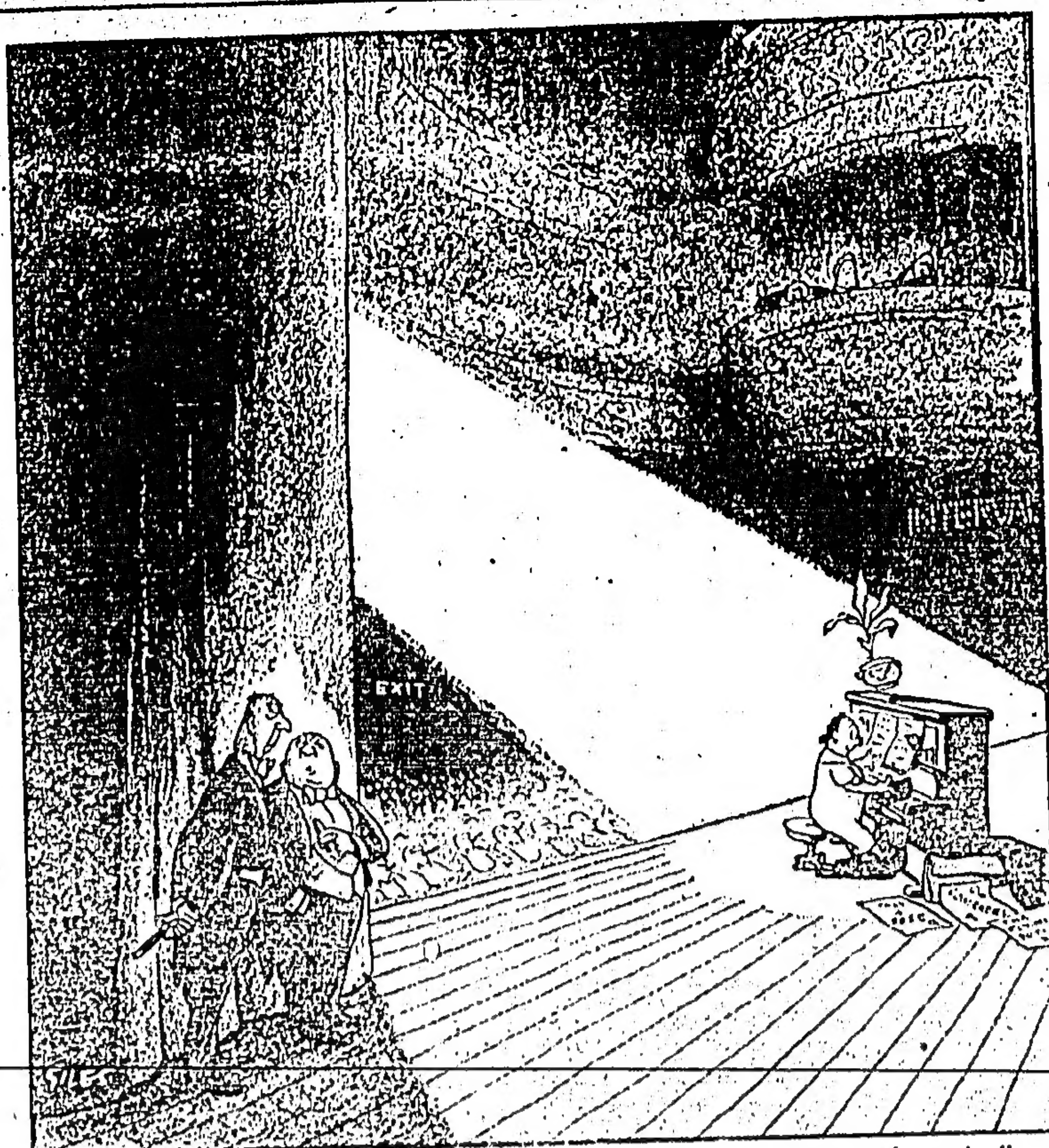
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## MUST WE REWRITE OUR HISTORY . . . DID CHARLES I. DIE FOR DEMOCRACY?

by Esme Wingfield-Stratford, D.Sc.

A LEGEND has been allowed to grow up about King Charles the First that has struck such deep roots as to have become part of our common stock of tradition.

Everyone takes for gospel the story of the good fight of the patriots and Parliamentary heroes against the false despot whose head his people, or parliament, or both, at length found themselves upon the regrettable necessity of removing.

The more closely the original sources are examined—so far as my own experience teaches me—the more clearly will it be revealed that what we have been brought up to accept as the verdict of history on King Charles rests upon no historical foundations whatever.

It is a tendentious travesty, that has grown up in the course of generations, being passed on, with additions, from pen to pen and mouth to mouth.

Thus, one of the most moving tragedies of all time has been vulgarised into the melodrama of the tyrant versus the patriots.

How has this come about? For such was not the original version. So long as the Stuarts reigned, the White King was almost universally regarded as a martyr to armed tyranny, with Oliver Cromwell as the villain.

It was only after the prestige of monarchy had slumped almost to zero under the first four Georges that the need was felt for an historic background to the reigning cult of Parliamentary liberties.

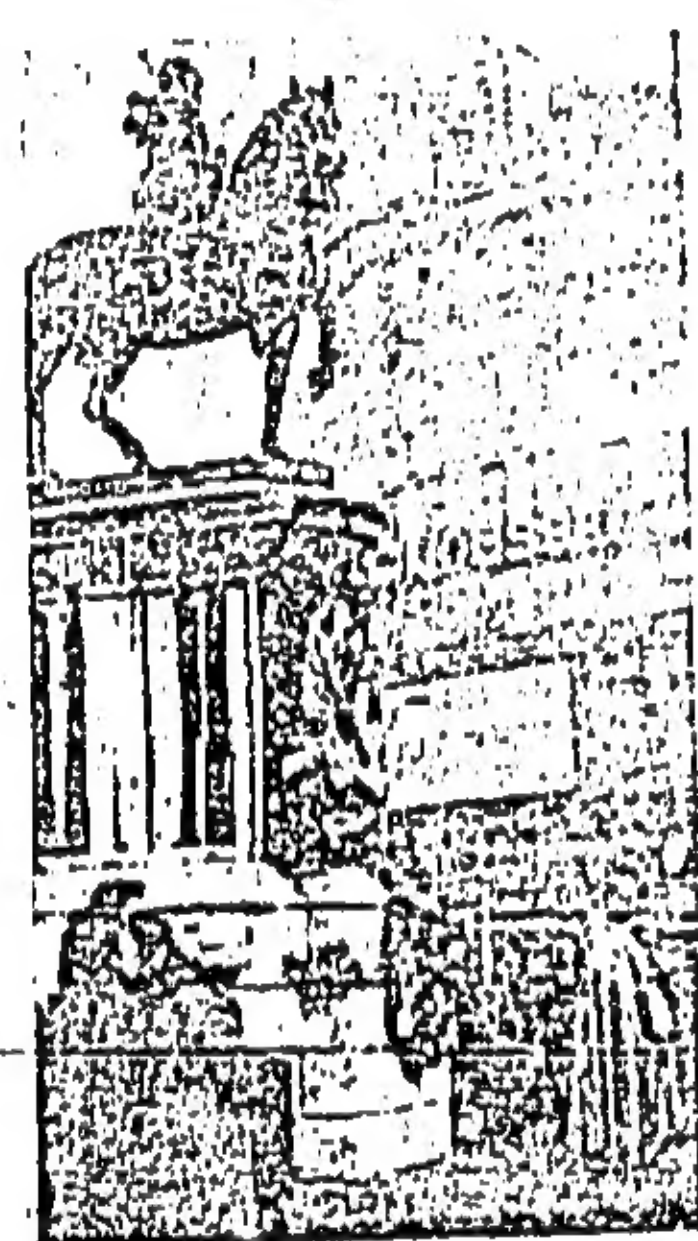
For this a wholly different story had to be thought up, with the Parliamentary chiefs playing the heroic parts, and the king degraded to that of principal tyrant.

Unfortunately, the most obvious candidate for Parliamentary honours, the great John Pym, proved too intractably inhuman to write up into a sympathetic hero.

### Gigantic bluff

The difficulty had to be got over by the penitential invention of the "Stainless Patriot," John Hampden, whose ineffably virtuous imputed personality had only the name to connect it with the sinister and secretive millionaire politician who bore it in real life.

And so, with the aid of the tempestuous special pleading of Burke, Macaulay, and John Richard Green, a legend was gradually constructed that effectively stamped Charles Stuart as "a tyrant, traitor, murderer, and public enemy to the good people of this nation."



The service beside King Charles's statue in Trafalgar Square—conducted by the Rev. W. V. Tunks.

That myth is the most gigantic bluff that has ever been palmed off in the name of history.

There is no need to counter myth with myth, and depict Charles as a canonised saint or a flawless superman. He was a very human being, with a full share of human frailty.

Indeed, he was more grievously handicapped than ordinary men, by an impediment of speech that prevented him from articulating a word till he was five, and perpetuated itself not as a stammer, but what, if his conscious attention had relaxed, would have developed into one.

This had the effect of cutting him off from those instinctive human contacts that are more essential to princes than to any other kind of man, and caused him to surround himself with a wall of defensive reserve.

It was only those brought into intimate touch with him who penetrated that barrier.

They, even the hard-bitten Roundhead officers who were his jailers, seldom failed to worship him to the point of idolatry.

Clarendon has recorded his deliberate judgment that Charles was "the worthiest gentleman, the best master, the best friend, the best husband, the best father, and the best Christian that the age in which he lived produced."

CHARLES I., executed  
January 30, 300 years ago.

The substantial truth of this estimate hardly the most envenomed of King Charles's detractors has dared deny, with regard to his private life.

But we are asked to believe that the moment he stepped out of his private apartments into the Cabinet Chamber or "Throne Room, this same man assumed the personality of a perditional tyrant, a shatterer and a twice who, if his death sentence was a little irregular, had left no other way of dealing with him.

Such accusations are launched in the teeth of all the evidence, which shows King Charles to have been a man of sensitive honour and almost excessive scrupulousness, one who could, and did, go willingly to his death, rather than swerve a hair's breadth from the truth he had pledged to his friends, his Church, and his people.

It was easy for our grandfathers of the spacious Victorian days to romanticise the issue into one between a naughty monarch and a band of patriot idealists.

The bitter experience of a crumbling civilisation has at least enabled us to appreciate the real nature of the forces King Charles was up against.

### To grab State

There was not one item in the totalitarian technique of mass conditioning of political gangsterism, of conspiratorial finance, of frame-up, purge, third degree, liquidation, the genius of Pym backed by the cunning of Hampden and their capitalist bosses had not applied with an activity far beyond the scope of such conservative boggers as the author of Meia Kampi.

It was against these wealthy conspirators, who would have lodged all State control in their own hands, and did not scruple, by the equivalent of a modern Enabling Act, to cut off Parliament itself from its constituents in order to convert it into a permanent rubber stamp for their own whims, that King Charles took his stand, not on any principle of divine right, but in discharge of his plain duty as a constitutional sovereign.

That stand he maintained to the death in face of the even more fearful subsequent threat of a military dictatorship.

Just before he laid his head upon the block he said:

"It was for this that I am now come here. If I would have given way to an ordinary way for to have had all laws changed by the power of the sword, I need not to have come here. And therefore I tell you, and I pray God it be not laid to your charge, that I am the martyr of the people."

And it is as martyr of the people that we do him honour on this, the tercentenary of his martyrdom. (Tea member)

## Stalin chances a boomerang

IN Moscow, they are chuckling over a new Jewish story. Two Jewish bureaucrats from the Kremlin, according to this story, had called on the Chief Rabbi to ask his advice. They were full of fears that Stalin's new anti-Zionist line was going to develop into an old-fashioned Russian pogrom, masquerading as a Soviet purge.

"Don't worry too much," said the rabbi. "Just behave as you do in a tram." And with that he sent them away. But neither of the bureaucrats could understand the oracle. So very apologetically, they returned to the rabbi and asked him to explain.

"Now," said the rabbi, "how do you behave in a tram? You don't stand in front and talk to the driver. And you don't stand at the back where it's cold and draughty. You don't put your head out of the window. You keep to the middle well down the gangway, where it's cosy and where there's a crowd."

**SEFTON DELMER'S**  
**NEWSMAP** examines  
the Kremlin's new  
anti-Zionist attitude



make it strong and powerful at the expense of the anti-Communist Moslem world, and to help its expansion over the largest possible area, from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea.

Their second objective is long-term. It is to see that the State of Israel comes under Communist control in order that it may form a military and political base for the prosecution of the political war against the capitalist West.

In furtherance of the first objective, they make the Czechs supply arms, aircraft, and men.

In furtherance of the second objective, they are now trying to blackmail the Jews of Israel into joining the Communist side.

At the recent Security Council meeting, Mr. Vyshinsky had a number of private talks with the Israeli delegates.

The Zionists asked that the ban on emigration be lifted and that all Jews who want to emigrate from Soviet-controlled Europe to Palestine should be allowed to do so.

Vyshinsky said that in the view of the Kremlin Israel under its present regime was a reactionary bourgeois State.

Since after Vyshinsky got back to Moscow, the anti-Zionist campaign began in earnest.

Moscow now hopes that Israel's dependence on human imports from Communist Europe will force the Israeli Government to capitulate.

Without fresh supplies of manpower and the ghetto reservoir of Eastern Europe is the only source—they will not be able to keep up their policy of colonial expansion.

They believe the denunciation of Zionism as bourgeois reactionary will help the pro-Communists in the elections.

### DEADLY FOES

IN my view this anti-Zionist drive may boomerang on Stalin. The Jews in Eastern Europe have been his most loyal supporters there. If disillusioned, they may prove dangerous and as obstinate foes as Tito.

And just as the attempt to bully Tito is gradually driving Yugoslavia westwards, so may Stalin's anti-Zionist policy not only lose him the Israeli elections but may prove a chance of gaining a pro-Communist Israeli and a submarine base on the Red Sea.

### WIVES WARNED: 'GIVE UP' AS SUICIDES FAIL

DESPAIR and dejection at the continued Soviet refusal to let them join their British husbands have caused two of the Russian wives to attempt suicide.

This news has reached the Foreign Office from Moscow.

The two women—Mrs. Lola Burke and Mrs. Ina Henderson—were both employed at the Embassy with a number of other wives. They shared a room in an annex.

They each took an overdose of sleeping draught. Fortunately, they were discovered in time. The Embassy doctor brought them both round again.

Another Russian wife, Alexandra Greenhall, has been sentenced to two years' "loss of liberty." She was found guilty of having bribed a Soviet official named Olga to grant her permission to live with her mother in the outskirts of Moscow.

During the trial the British had accused her of having a visa to Britain.

The Embassy reply is that they grant entry visas to Britain only after the Russians have granted exit visas from the Soviet Union. And this the Russians had not done.

Sir Maurice Peterson, the British Ambassador, is now advising all the Russian wives to divorce their husbands.

"It is useless," he has told them, "through the British consular to meet any change in the Soviet policy which they have recognised, to concerning you."

### BEVIN'S CUE

NOW this new anti-Zionist policy of the Kremlin is of considerable importance. It may have given unhappy Mr. Bevin the face-saving (and possibly even a portfolio-saving) pretext for his fundamental change of policy in the Middle East. Moscow's anti-Zionist line brought about the defeat of the pro-Communist in Israel's elections, Mr. Bevin can say.

"This is what I was waiting for. Israel is not going Communist after all. There is no danger of Israel becoming a Soviet base in the Near East. Now we can recognise the Israel as the new bulwark of Western interests in the Middle East."

And he owes it all to Stalin.

At first sight, Moscow's new policy seems utterly unintelligible in the light of—

1. Soviet Russia's support of Zionist claims in Palestine before the United Nations Organisation; and the Kremlin's previous encouragement of mass emigration to the Promised Land;

2. The continued despatch of aircraft and armaments by the Czechoslovak Government to the Zionist fighting forces in Palestine under orders from the Soviet Government.

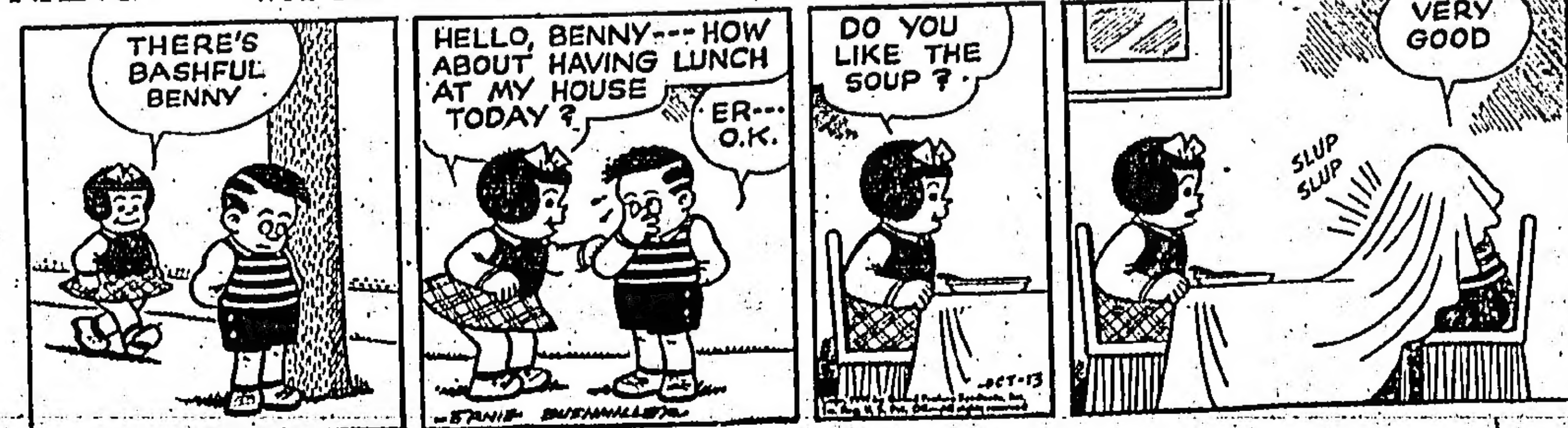
3. The leading role which Jews like Anna Pauker, Itakosi, Eisenberg, and many others play in the politburo and Communist Governments of Iron Curtain Europe.

### ISRAEL PLAN

THE Russians are pursuing in Palestine a short-term and a long-term policy.

Their immediate objective is to establish the Zionist State of Israel, which they have recognised, to

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## Italian Socialist Leader To Visit US

Rome, Feb. 13. — Italy's pro-Communist Socialist announced today that their leader, Signor Pietro Nenni, had accepted an invitation from Henry Wallace to visit the United States next month.

The Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, will leave tomorrow for Paris, where he will join in the European Recovery Programme Council.

It is predicted here that Count Sforza will seize the occasion to have talks with French, British, Belgian and Dutch leaders about the future of Italy's African colonies and Italy's participation in agreements for the economic and military defence of Europe.

Meanwhile, top Italian Communists, including their leader, Mr. Palmiro Togliatti, are thought to be out of the country attending a new Cominform Council.

Communist newspapers here have avoided the Cominform reports, except to quote a dispatch from a British news agency saying that the meeting is not being held in Prague.

The Communist newspaper, *Unita*, said that Mr. Nenni would be joined on his trip to the United States by the French Socialist, M. Pierre Cot and the British Labour MP, Mr. K. Williams.

The Socialist announcement said that Mr. Nenni would be in the United States from April 25 to May 20. He would "inform the American public on the point of view of the Italian labouring classes." — Associated Press.

## Churchill To Attack Govt On Spending

London, Feb. 13. — Winston Churchill will lead a concentrated Conservative Party attack on the Labour Government in the House of Commons this week for spending too much money to finance its socialising plans.

In effect, the debate will be the opening battle in Churchill's campaign for a return to power at the helm of the Conservative Party in the 1950 general elections.

The doughty Opposition leader and wartime Prime Minister served notice of his intention in the House on Thursday, when he demanded a three day debate on the Government's request for an extra £220,000,000 to run the country during the remainder of the fiscal year ending March 31.

### BEVAN'S DEFENCE

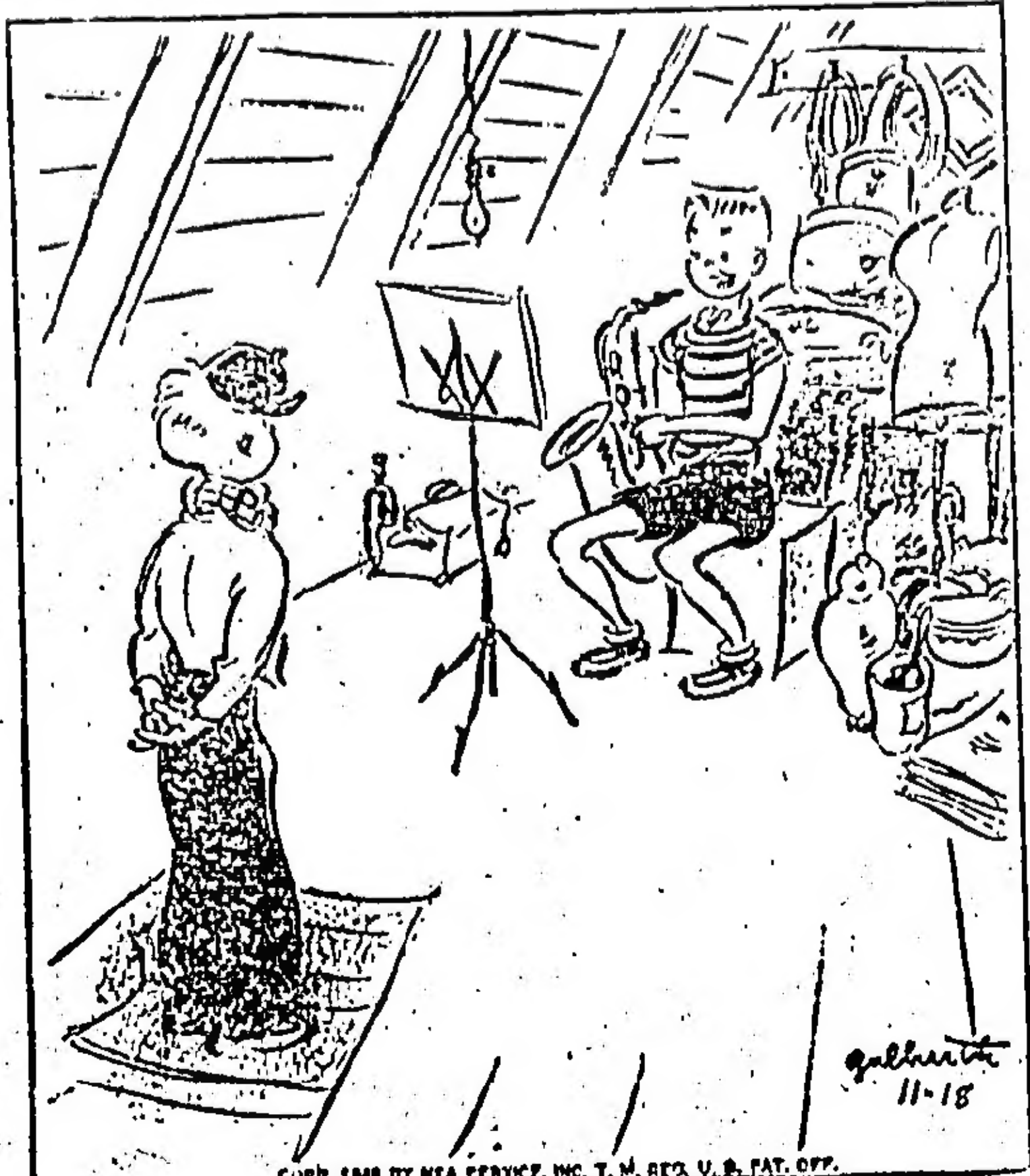
Health Minister Aneurin Bevan asked for £50,000,000 more for socialised medicine which provides Britons with free medical care, hospitalisation, dental services, spectacles and other things else that good health demands. Sharp-tongued Bevan will defend his expenditures with as much gusto as Churchill will attack them.

Bevan will say the need for extra funds only proves that the much-maligned socialised medicine programme is a success, although he probably will admit that the Government did not know what it was getting into when it started the scheme last July.

Government figures, for instance, on spending about £7,000,000 to finance free dental services in England. Instead, it is costing nearly £10,000,000. — United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"When I get a little better, my people are going to promote me to the living room!"

## Doc Rafferty...

by BERNARD NEWMAN



## Barrister Offers Free Legal Assistance To Accused Man

### FIRST EXAMPLE OF NEW LAW SOCIETY AGREEMENT

An unusual development in a case before Mr Justice Wickes at the Criminal Sessions occurred when after Crown Counsel had opened his case and the first witness was about to be sworn, the accused - informed the Court that he had been approached by a member of the Bar who offered to defend him.

The accused was Robert George Stewart, 26, employed as a clerk by the Admiralty, who faced four counts of larceny by clerk or servant, two counts of falsification of accounts with intent to defraud and four alternative counts of simple larceny, involving approximately \$18,000.

Mr M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by Mr R. H. Woodhead, A.S.P. represented the Crown. Accused was not legally represented.

The Jury empanelled comprised five men and two women. The accused informed his Lordship that he had been approached by Mr Percy Chen earlier that morning who asked him if he had been represented at the trial. Accused said he was not defended as he had no money. Mr Chen then said, accused continued, that he was quite willing to take up the case, and suggested an adjournment.

His Lordship said that he understood that Mr Chen was at the moment engaged in another case. Accused said he was requested to ask for an adjournment.

His Lordship: Why did you not mention this at the very beginning. The Jury has been sworn and Mr Heenan has opened the case. I will grant an adjournment of 15 minutes.

His Lordship indicated to Crown Counsel that he proposed to make inquiries about the matter during the adjournment.

MR CHEN EXPLAINS

When the Court re-assembled after 40 minutes, Mr Percy Chen said: My Lord, in this matter there is on foot a scheme whereby the Bar Association had proposed to assist poor prisoners in the defence at Criminal Sessions. Up to now agreement had been reached with the Law Society for such a matter to be put into operation after all of the requisite arrangements had been made so far as the judicial authorities and other authorities were concerned.

This morning, quite casually I inquired of the accused whether he was being defended in this case. He said he was not being defended and I said that in a case like this it would have been the proper one in which this scheme for poor prisoners' defence might have been put into operation. I myself am busy in another Court this morning, I may be retained in the continuation in the matter of Rex versus Kwok Kwong in May, and I will be busy in the Police Court on Thursday and again in the Police Court on Friday. Therefore at no time did I suggest or was it suggested or was the accused given a brief to defend if he had come to me either through a solicitor or in any other way.

Now, my Lord, in view of the fact that the accused is unrepresented and in view of the fact that my learned friend, the

Crown Counsel, has opened his case, it is, I think, my duty, being present in Court this morning to offer myself, if your Lordship should think it proper and necessary in the peculiar circumstances of this case that I should defend him.

JUDGE'S COMMENTS

His Lordship: Mr Chen, I think you should know what happened in Court before you came in. This case had reached the stage when the Jury had been empanelled, the charges read and the accused put into the charge of the Jury. Mr Heenan, Crown Counsel, has completed the opening of the case and had called his first witness who went into the box and was on the point of being sworn. At that stage the accused stood up and addressed me and he said that you had approached him and asked him if he was defended and he said "No, I have no money to be defended." And he said that you told him "All right then I will defend you free, will you ask for an adjournment." That was, I remember, his statement to me.

I appreciate the position, Mr Chen, and I have heard what you had to say. In the circumstances I think that an adjournment should be granted in this case. I have particular regard to the fact that this accused was arraigned a considerable time ago on a date which probably stands out in the memory of both you and I and that was at the formal opening of the Assizes. He has been on bail from that time until he entered the dock this morning and to all appearances he had ample opportunity of obtaining legal assistance. We have a Jury which had been empanelled, a number of them business people who, I am sure, will not prejudice their feelings against the accused. In any case they are left with a case which will last longer than otherwise had been the case.

Mr Chen, I must ask you, if I give an adjournment until tomorrow morning at 10.30 o'clock, whether you can assure me now that you will be in a position to defend this man. Mr Chen indicated that he would be if the accused would appoint him in the usual way.

ASSISTANCE ACCEPTED

His Lordship: (to accused): You have heard what I said. Are you going to ask for Mr Chen to defend you?

Accused: No, Sir. I'd rather the case carry on. I am very sorry I have caused Mr Chen any trouble this morning.

His Lordship: That you must not consider. What I said in the open Court is not to affect your decision at all. Now do you want Mr Chen to defend you? — Yes.

His Lordship then adjourned the case until 10.30 a.m. tomorrow. Before the Court rose, his Lordship, addressing the Jury said: I must warn you at this stage that this case has been adjourned until 10.30 a.m. tomorrow. You have heard the opening address by Crown Counsel. You must not discuss this case with any of your friends or relatives. It is most important that you should keep an open mind as regards this matter until you have delivered your verdict.

## Fire-Cracker Store Blaze

Six fire appliances were sent to a fire at the Chow Kee fire-cracker store in Staunton Street at about 11.45 this morning.

Thick clouds of smoke poured from the building, and there were many minor explosions as the flames reached the stocks of fire-crackers.

Panic-stricken families rushed from nearby buildings carrying trunks and bedding, but there were no serious casualties. St. John Ambulance Brigade men treated several persons who were overcome by smoke and rescued two blind old women from adjacent buildings.

A cordon was thrown round Svelly Street, Peel Street and Elgin Street to keep back the crowds who flocked to the scene. Firemen confined the blaze to the one building, and it was brought under control within half an hour.

## Royall Visits MacArthur



Secretary of the Army Kenneth Royall (left) and General Douglas MacArthur ride together in Tokyo, after Mr Royall's arrival there on a tour of U.S. military installations in the Far East. — AP Picture.

## DUTCH EXPECTED TO ACCEPT UN'S INDONESIAN PLAN

The Hague, Feb. 13. — Qualified acceptance of the United Nations Security Council's Indonesian resolution of January 28 is expected to be announced by the Government to the Netherlands Parliament on Wednesday, well informed sources said tonight. The informants said the declaration would be made by J. G. Van Marseeveen, Minister of Overseas Territories.

The Security Council resolution called for the establishment of an Interim Federal regime in Indonesia by March 15, elections for a Constituent Assembly by October 1, and complete transfer of sovereignty from the Netherlands to a United States of Indonesia by July 1, 1950.

The resolution also authorised the U.N. Commission for Indonesia to recommend the withdrawal of Dutch troops from the Republican territory as it deems necessary.

When the resolution was passed Dr J. H. Van Royen, Dutch representative to the Council, said his

## Good Response To Volunteer Recruitment

### Many Chinese Enlist

Registration for voluntary service commenced at the Volunteer Headquarters this morning and the place very soon became crowded with applicants the majority of whom were Chinese wanting to join the new Hongkong Defence Force.

"Everything is going extremely well at the moment," remarked an official when asked about the recruiting. "At present we are dealing with a large number of Chinese. There are about 200 waiting outside."

It was also learned that a number of members of the former HKVDF have rejoined the first among these to sign being Mr Francis Brett, MBE, of the Marine Department. The first new volunteer to register his name was Mr Alan Todd, of the Colonial Secretariat.

Quite a number of young Europeans were also enlisted this morning.

Registration also started at noon at the Hongkong Cricket Club, Kowloon Cricket Club and the Roerich Club. At the time, about 20 Chinese turned up at the KCC this morning to register for the Defence Force; they were told to return in the afternoon.

In order to cope with the situation, the time of closing at Headquarters has been extended from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The resolution also authorised the Government would carry it out to the extent to which it is compatible with the responsibility of the Netherlands for the maintenance of real freedom and order in Indonesia.

Informants said the Government would accept the resolution in principle, but would propose amendments.

An official source said "the world should understand that a tutelage of the UNCI (the Indonesian Commission), can simply not be sold to a majority of the Dutch Parliament."

He explained that the presence of UNCI was unacceptable, but the "tutelage" requested by the Council was unacceptable. He added that the main objections raised by Dr Van Royen still stood.

The Dutch policy is understood to provide for the release of Republican leaders, which the U.N. resolution demanded be done immediately, and their return to Java.

Their future status, however, is apparently left in the dark. These leaders are being held by the Dutch at Prapat, in Northern Sumatra, and on the island of Banka — Associated Press.

## Radio Hongkong

11.00 p.m. Programme Summary: 6.01, "It's Swing Time"; 6.20, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 6.30, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, "The Adventures of Chelmondeley" by Jonathan Sny (Studio); 7.30, Hospital Report (Studio); 8.00, "From the Editor's Desk" (Studio); 8.10, English Madrigals sung by the Cambridge Univ. Madrigal Society; 8.30, "I Like What I Like" presented by Sydney Walsh (Studio); 9.00, "Leviathan" by Robert and Charles Trenet (Studio); 9.15, Film Review by Ross Arnott (Studio); 9.30, London Playhouse "The Quiet Week-End" (Tower); 10.00, Radio News Reel (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.30, London Studio Concert. The Westminster Orchestra; Conducted by Denis Wright (BBC); 10.45, Music for Dancing; 11.15, Weather Report and Close down.

## DPs in Philippines

Manila, Feb. 13. — Non-Chinese displaced persons now in the Philippines from China number 2,363 so far, according to Mr G. Price, adviser of the International Refugee Organisation.

Refugees, mostly White Russians, came in three ships and 10 transport planes, it was disclosed. He said the refugees in Gulan Sunar, are making the most of the facilities available on the island to make themselves comfortable.

Price said today that the Shanghai office of the IRO still has in transport 3,000 displaced European fleeing from the Chinese Communists to South China.

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## Bullets Wound Beauty Queen

Paris, Feb. 13. — Ingla "Betty" Senise, 25-year old Swedish beauty queen, who was shot in a Paris hotel on Friday night, passed a "fairly good night" in a nursing home at Neuilly, a western suburb, a spokesman of the nursing home said today. The hospital announced early today that doctors had removed two bullets from her spinal column. The

informant was very reserved about the patient's general condition. Fears had been expressed that she might remain paralysed if the operation did not succeed.

Mr Senise's husband, the Italian film distributor, Renato Senise, was detained by the police after the shooting. — Reuter.



## BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

## THE LADIES SHOW MORE INTEREST

By "RECORDER"

The Badminton Association is confronted this year with an entirely new situation in the Colony Open Championships, there being, unlike last year, a swarm of entries for the Ladies' Singles and Doubles Championships and the Junior Mixed Doubles.

On the other hand, it is still a debatable point at this stage, seeing that the minimum eight entries have not been received for either the Senior Men's Singles and Doubles titles, that these championships will be placed at stake.

Despite the fact that entries, on the whole, are considerably more numerous than last year's, they are, in more ways than one, disappointing. Notable absentees are P. K. Hoo, K. S. Low, S. A. Vanar, S. Saul and

The only defending titlists are Robert Tay in the Senior Men's Singles and Senior Mixed Doubles, with a new partner, Miss M. Ribeiro, and the winners of the last Ladies' Doubles Championship, held in 1947, Miss Myrtle Silva and Miss M. Xavier.

For the first time in the history of the Championships, there are enough ladies entered to hold the Ladies' Singles Championship.

The full entry list is:  
**SENIOR MEN'S SINGLES**  
Robert Tay (holder), Patrick Wong, Bill Funk, Ramon Young and W. F. Foo (Chinese YMCA), Lee Chee-koon (University) and C. Au (Kowloon Tong).

**SENIOR MEN'S DOUBLES**  
M. A. Oliveira & J. J. Remedios (Recrolo), Henk Hock-thye & Teoh Fook (University), W. F. Foo (Ch. YMCA) & C. Au (K. Tong), Robert Tay & Patrick Wong (Ch. YMCA), Ramon Young & Bill Funk (Ch. YMCA), Lee Chee-koon & Partner (University).

**LADIES' SINGLES**  
Miss B. Remedios (St. Teresa's), Mrs. A. Tamworth and Mrs. L. F. Stokes (KCC), Miss Margaret Xavier, Miss Margie Xavier, Miss I. Soares & Miss Y. Franco (Recrolo), Miss Ullian Khoo (Ch. YMCA) and Miss M. Bain.

**LADIES' DOUBLES**  
Miss Myrtle Silva & Miss Margaret Xavier (Recrolo), holders, Miss B. Remedios & Miss T. Remedios (St. Teresa's), Miss T. Remedios & Miss C. Silva (St. Teresa's), Mrs. L. F. Stokes & Mrs. A. Tamworth (KCC), Miss T. Baptista & Miss Margie Xavier (Recrolo), Miss I. Soares & Miss Y. Franco (Recrolo), Miss M. Bain & Miss A. Heah (University), Miss M. Ribeiro (Recrolo) & Mrs. L. Benjamin (KCC), Miss D. Ramsay & Miss J. Greenhalgh (Kowloon Dockyard RC).

**SENIOR MIXED DOUBLES**  
W. Gillies & Mrs. A. Tamworth (KCC), M. A. Oliveira & Miss Myrtle Silva (Recrolo), H. F. Foo & Miss M. Xavier (Recrolo), Bill Funk (Ch. YMCA) & Mrs. L. F. Stokes (KCC), Robert Tay (Ch. YMCA) & Miss Y. Franco (Recrolo), Ramon Young & Miss Ullian Khoo (Ch. YMCA), W. F. Foo & Miss H. Kong (Ch. YMCA).

**JUNIOR MEN'S SINGLES**  
J. A. Soares & R. M. Soares (St. Teresa's), H. J. Xavier (Recrolo), F. T. Tai, D. C. Lau, W. C. Chung, Wong Yan, K. P. Chong and C. H. Ngan (Ch. YMCA), Yeow Ming-tu (University), F. Brockbank, H. Riddsdale and A. L. Fisher (Kowloon Dockyard RC), A. E. Elliott (Kowloon Dockyard RC), Yagub Khan and K. S. Thong (unattached).

**JUNIOR MEN'S DOUBLES**  
R. M. Soares & J. M. Soares (St. Teresa's), F. A. Vieira & A. J. Goncalves (St. Teresa's), A. J. Souza & F. M. Rozario (VRC), H. Ngan & M. C. Hung (K. Tong), Paul Wong & S. C. Chong (K. Tong), C. Quinn & Miss Y. Franco (Recrolo), F. M. Ribeiro & T. E. Rodrigues (Recrolo), W. Lawrence & L. A. Carvalho (Recrolo), H. F. Tai & W. N. Cheung (Ch. YMCA), D. C. Lau & W. C. Chung (Ch. YMCA), C. Y. Yung & K. P. Chong (Ch. YMCA), Chin Neow-kong & Yeow Ming-tu (University), Sq/Ldr. D. M. Gull & F/Sgt. H. Lead (RAF), F. Brockbank & H. Riddsdale (KCC), F. L. Griffin & Cpl. Frazer (RAF), M. Kempton & A. E. Elliott (Kowloon Dockyard RC), D. Kwok (St. John's) and S. P. Tao (K. Tong), R. Thompson & S. Fowler (St. John's), N. Hetti & A. D. Breingan (St. John's).

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## SLEIGHT OF HAND



North Carolina's Rip Ryan seems to be doing a bit of sleight of hand work in this game with New York University in Madison Square Garden. Not only that but he has New Yorker Joe Dolhon by the shirt. NYU won the game 72-48.

## MCC's South African Tour

## Battle Of Words May Yet Go Too Far

London, Feb. 13.—It would be a pity if the harmony of the MCC tour of South Africa were to be spoiled by cricket writers, who are having a battle of words, with money as the root of all evil.

It all started when stories were sent back to England about the "huge sums of money" the South African cricket authorities were making out of the MCC tour, whereas the English cricketers, the performers whom such vast crowds had come to see, were financially doing very poorly.

As a sideline, it was suggested that the South Africans were allowing the "poor" MCC players to undergo long train journeys and undue hardship when they could have been flown, in order to save money.

One British sports columnist wrote a column on reports he had received from South Africa headed: "Cricket Reaches New Low Depth," which started with "How much money is the South African Cricket Association making out of our touring team?"

"The South Africans take all the profit after paying expenses. One way of saving on these appears to be a recourse to the slogan: 'It's Cheaper by Rail.'"

WHIPPOUND  
He then cites a whipround which occurred at a dance hall to raise £200 for air travel for the players from Bulawayo to Salisbury, and went on: "Cut-rate cricket will not be altered. The MCC stipulated that the tour should be a financial success as they were not sure of the financial success of their visit, and that South Africa accepted the conditions because England was helping to pioneer the game in the Union and did not deserve to suffer any loss."

THE OTHER SIDE  
On the other hand, when the South Africans visited Britain, they received half the gate out of which they had to pay their own expenses. This had resulted in South African tours of Britain being a financial loss whereas no official MCC team had suffered financially in visits to the Union.

The South Africans have also replied that suggestions that they are making a fortune out of the visiting tourists have been grossly exaggerated. And on the criticism of travelling arrangements, the answer was that county cricketers and tourists in Britain play six days a week, which they were not asked to do in South Africa, and that there did seem to be some criticism when the MCC visited Australia with its long train journeys.

## THE WEEK-END SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL	
MEMORIAL CUP FINAL	
FIRST DIVISION	
Corab. Chinese	3 Army
S. China "B"	1 Army
St. Joseph's	1 CAA
Kitchee	3 Eastern
Police	3 Club

HOW THEY STAND	
Goals	
S. China "A"	13 12 1 0 40 13 25
Chinese AA	15 10 2 3 37 21 22
KMB	13 10 0 3 40 15 20
Army	15 8 4 3 34 25 20
Kitchee	14 7 2 0 42 29 17
Eastern	14 7 2 0 42 29 17
S. China "B"	14 5 4 5 33 35 14
Club	13 5 2 0 26 20 12
St. Joseph's	14 5 2 7 31 34 12
Police	12 2 3 7 21 33 7
Navy	13 2 2 0 17 30 6
RAF	13 1 2 10 10 53 4
Kwong Wah	14 1 1 12 15 40 3

SECOND DIVISION	
Club	2 Tramways
S. China	5 Soldiers
Kitchee	2 Navy
Talkoo	2 Dockyard

HOW THEY STAND	
Goals	
South China	18 12 4 2 43 18 28
Chinese AA	10 12 2 2 59 17 25
KMB	14 10 3 1 53 15 23
Army (K)	14 10 3 1 50 17 23
Navy	17 10 0 3 38 23 22
Kitchee	17 8 0 3 38 23 22
Army (K)	17 7 0 2 44 52 10
Dockyard	10 6 2 8 33 44 14
Police	10 4 5 7 20 40 13
Club	17 5 2 10 28 61 12
PCA	15 5 1 9 20 41 11
St. Joseph's	17 5 1 11 27 44 11
Talkoo	18 4 1 14 24 52 8
WD Chinese	16 2 3 11 24 64 7
Soldiers	17 1 0 10 16 71 2

HOCKEY	
RAF	3 University
C & W	2 Navy
Police	1 Dutch HC
Police Service	2 YMCA

HOW THEY STAND	
Goals	
Recrolo	13 11 1 1 40 4 23
Army	13 9 3 1 49 11 21
Navy	14 9 2 3 38 18 20
Khalisa	13 9 1 3 30 14 19
Police	14 7 2 2 23 24 10
RAF	15 7 1 7 29 27 15
Civil Service	14 6 1 7 34 32 13
University	15 6 1 8 33 30 13
Dutch HC	14 4 2 8 18 29 10
C & W	15 4 0 11 20 53 8
Dockyard RC	13 2 1 11 13 47 4
YMCA	11 0 10 0 6 48 2

## RUGGER

INTERNATIONAL FINAL	
Scotland	12 England
SOFTBALL	
SENIOR LEAGUE	
VRC	10 Overseas
Canucks	11 Solos
JUNIOR LEAGUE	
Braves	13 Wildfires
Blackhawks	14 Rexes
FRIENDLY GAME	
Local Squad	6 "Riverside"
	Maple Leafs 1

## A Word For The 'Blaster'

## —In Golf

By ERIC PRAIN

The "blaster" is not without honour save in its own country. There is talk that the U.S. Golf Association wish to ban this club and have approached the Rules of Golf Committee of the Royal and Ancient with that in view.

It is ironic that the advances should come from America, the country which gave us the blaster. It may well be that the reaction of the Rules Committee will be: "You gave us the club. If you wish to discard it, you must take the first steps."

The blaster is a club of many aliases—some none too polite—the best known of which are the "dynamite" and the more refined "sand wedge." It is a club of personality about which there are mixed feelings. Some have made a friend of it; some have gone further and have become its disciple. Others have been too frightened even to make its acquaintance.

Handy As A Friend  
The truth is that beneath a rugged exterior it has a heart of gold, and it is only too anxious to give its friendship to those who seek it. There is no doubt that the advent of the sand wedge made bunker and certain pitch shots easier. Talking of pitches in his book, Power Golf, Ben Hogan has this to say:

"The sand wedge is ideal for these shots because the blade has plenty of loft, and the flange prevents the club blade from digging into the turf."

Many famous players have made it their staunchest friend. Sarazen was so good with it that it seemed he preferred to play out of bunkers. Von Nida can do everything with it except make the ball talk. No doubt there are others whom I have not seen who are equally good with it.

Let Us Keep It  
For myself, I should be sorry to see the passing of the sand wedge. I am not one of those Philistines who spend their lives regretting all innovations, and deploring anything that tends to make the game easier. That is to be like a man who uses a taxi and wishes he were riding in a stage coach. Nor do I think that a game's only value is the extent to which it can be commercialized. Between these two strips of "rough" there is a comfortable, mundane halfway.

Frankly, I like a bit of wedge in my sand.

## DAVIS CUP COMPETITION

## Interest Is In The Inter-Zone Final

London, Feb. 13.—Until the disparity between the standards of lawn tennis in the United States and that of other nations is narrowed, the Americans will be in no danger of relinquishing their tight grip on the prized Davis Cup.

With no immediate sign of this gap closing, the 1949 competition can be expected to follow much the same pattern as in the other postwar years.

Thus it is likely that the main interest in the tournament will focus more on the Inter-Zone final than on the challenge round because this tie will show whether Europe has at least caught up with Australia, the only nation to come within challenging distance of the United States in recent years.

Australia, in the American Zone, should have another victory in the Inter-Zone final, but who will carry Europe's banner across the Atlantic?

Czechoslovakia, the European Zone winners in 1947, who owe so much to the punch of their left-handed star, Jaroslav Drobny, must again have a wonderful chance.

When the Czechs met Australia in 1947, they could only win one match, but last year they put up a very gallant show and went down fighting by two matches to three.

This year, however, Australia are probably strengthened by the return of John Bromwich, their flaxen-haired ambidextrous star, and the introduction in the competition of young Frank Sedgman, recent winner of the Australian singles title.

**CZECH PROSPECTS**  
Czechoslovakia's prospects of winning their Zone are considerably enhanced by a favourable draw. They are in the top half of the draw with only Great Britain and Hungary as serious rivals, while in the bottom half the position is much more complex with such redoubtable Cup fighters as Sweden, Yugoslavia, Italy and South Africa set to eliminate each other.

Until the season gets under way, it would be pointless to forecast the outcome in this latter half of the Zone, but Sweden will probably start favourites to reach the Zone final on the strength of their performance last year when they were beaten by Czechoslovakia in the final.

Gaston Relf of Belgium won the Toussaint Two Mile race in 8 minutes 53 9/10ths seconds, finishing five yards ahead of Sweden's Erik Ahlen. Fred Wilt of the New York Athletic Club was third.—Associated Press.

## Slykhuis Wins Baxter Mile

New York, Feb. 13.—Willy Slykhuis of Holland became the first foreigner ever to win the historic Baxter Mile race when he outran an international field on Saturday night to win in 4 minutes, 9 2/10 seconds.

The Dutch Olympic star finished 10 yards in front of France's Marcel Hansen.

Ingvar Bengtsson of Sweden made it a sweep for the Olympians from Europe, by placing third, 29 yards behind Hansen. Browning Ross of Villanova was fourth.

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# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE  
You Don't Always  
Cover an Honour

♠ J3	♥ 1073	♦ A K 8 7 5 3	♣ Q 10 4
♠ K 9 6	♥ 2	♦ 10 4	♣ K 8 7 3
♠ 2	♥ J 9 8	♦ 2	♣ 5
♠ Q 9 4	♥ 10	♦ 10 9 4 2	♣ 10

Lesson Hand—Neither vul.  
South West North East  
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass  
2 N.T. Pass 3 N.T. Pass  
Opening—♠ 6

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

AS I have told you in previous lessons there are certain playing regulations that are not to be followed in every case. You should not always cover an honour with an honour just because there is an old adage that says that is the right thing to do. Each individual case requires individual analysis.

In today's hand declarer knows that it is practically impossible for him to count on six club tricks. If he could, with his other three aces he would have nine tricks. He knows that when West gets in, he will run off a lot of spade tricks. If he is fortunate enough to find the king of hearts in the East hand, he has a chance to make the contract.

When West opens the six of spades, declarer plays the jack from the dummy, and when East puts on the queen, he plays the five-spot from his own hand. He does not win the ten either, when East returns it, but waits until the four of spades is led. He wins that with the ace, and now he has the choice of leading either the ten or the deuce of clubs.

It makes little difference, however, which one he leads, but suppose that he leads the ten-spot? Should West cover?

If West did not have the nine of clubs—in other words, if he did not have a card higher than the eight in dummy—he should not cover. But, holding the nine, he must cover the ten. Declarer cannot afford to let him hold the trick, as otherwise, West will proceed to cash the balance of the spade tricks.

If West refuses to cover, declarer will play low from dummy and East will win with the jack, but there is no return that East can make that will prevent declarer from cashing nine tricks.

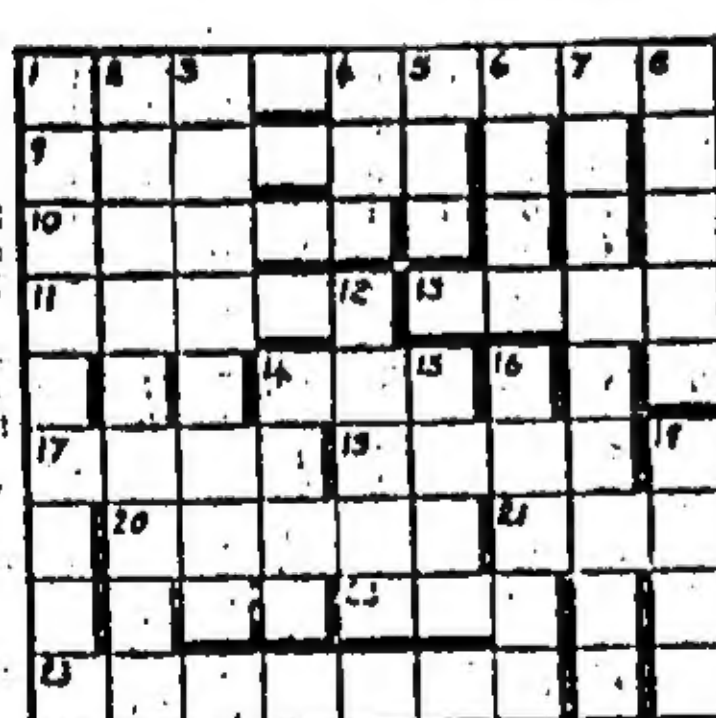
If declarer leads the deuce of clubs at trick four, West must be careful to put on the nine, not the four. Otherwise he would find himself in exactly the same position as if he had failed to cover the ten-spot.

## Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the smallest unit of liquid measure.
2. To what was Kipling referring in the phrase "the bear that walks like a man"?
3. Why was Percy Bysshe Shelley expelled from Oxford?
4. What character in history is nicknamed "Henry"?
5. Name what city is Chateau d'Iff located. This is where the Count of Monte Cristo was imprisoned.
6. Name the longest and highest mountain range in the world.

(Answers at foot of Column.)

## CROSSWORD



- Across
1. They are usually taken for loans. (9)
  2. Lacking in width. (6)
  3. Unaffectedly. (9)
  4. David Copperfield tells you who made the red dart. (8)
  5. Measure. (3)
  6. The heart of any jewel. (3)
  7. A tale of old. (4)
  8. You'd do this by putting salt in tea. (4)
  9. In these days you're inexperienced. (12)
  10. Two-wheeled one man power vehicle. (7)
  11. One can occasionally make one. (4)
  12. Broken shop. (4)
  13. Outlaw little Alfred. (5)
  14. Par this for comparison. (4)

- Down
1. You can make it tin snail. (9)
  2. Unaffectedly. (9)
  3. David Copperfield tells you who made the red dart. (8)
  4. Measure. (3)
  5. The heart of any jewel. (3)
  6. A tale of old. (4)
  7. You'd do this by putting salt in tea. (4)
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## CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

- Answers
1. The minin, about a drop, 1/60 of a drachm.
  2. Russia.
  3. Because of his pamphlet on "The Necessity of Atheism".
  4. Napoleon.
  5. The Andes.

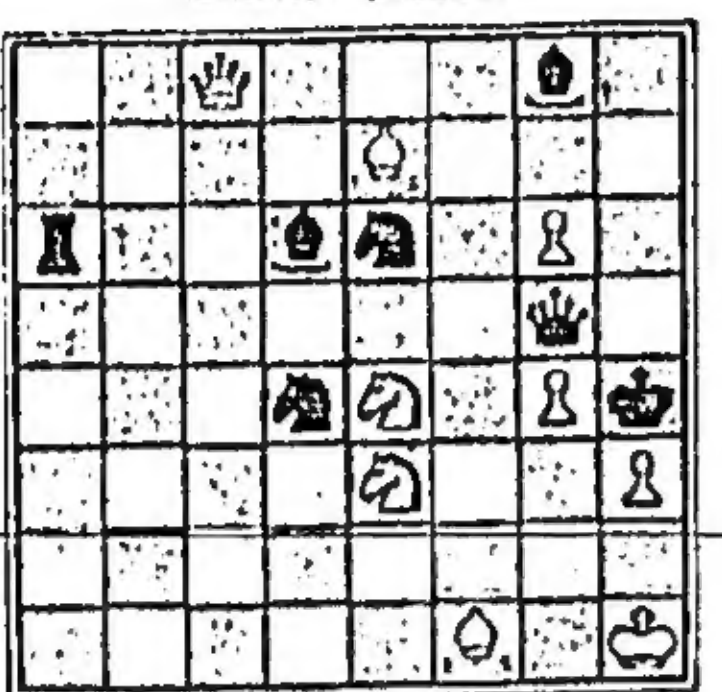
## DUMB BELLS

I WANT TO RETURN THESE MOTH BAGS, THE LITTLE BEGGARS WONT FLY INTO THEM!



## CHESS PROBLEM

By S. F. E. FLATAU  
Black, 7 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.  
White to play and mate in two.  
Solution to Saturday's problem:  
1. Q-R5, 1... K-KP; 2. K-KP; 1... K-Q7; 2. Q-R1.

## AROUND THE WORLD:

### Baden-Baden; a Famous Spa

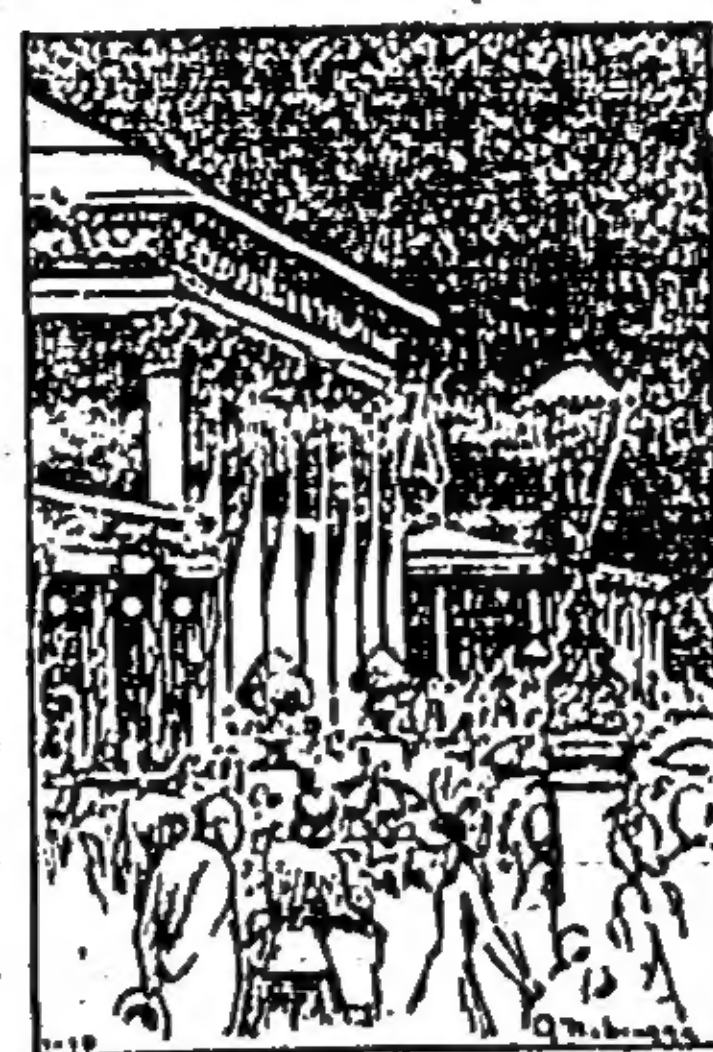
By TEMPLE MANNING

DURING a pleasant evening with friends, the talk invariably turns to other days in general and, with this group, always to travel experiences in particular. And so one evening the talk drifted to spas and watering places, with most of us speaking up for our favourites, or, anyway, the place that at the time, seemed the nicest and offered the most relaxation.

The resorts of old Austria—Marienbad, Carlsbad, and Franzbad, all came in for a share of praise, as did Bad Gastein. Then there was mention of beautiful Montecatini, near Florence in Italy, and Aix-les-Bains in France. But it seemed the majority of the company had its favourites among the German resorts, such as Wiesbaden, Bad Homburg, Bad Ems. Our vote went for Baden-Baden as it was in the old days.

**Beautiful Journey**  
Looking back, we remember with pleasure the beautiful journey from Frankfurt to Baden-Baden, so delightfully situated at the entrance to the Black Forest. It really is a place of regal beauty, stately and glowing, set amid forest walls with mountain peaks keeping eternal watch. We remember the main hotel, richly furnished in antiques, that stood in a beautifully kept park—a gem worthy of the green valley setting. The summits of the hills are topped by castles, the "newest" of which dates back to the fifteenth century.

As we remember it, Baden was a real garden city, for beyond a few business streets lined with fine buildings and stores, there were no building-lined thoroughfares. The



Spa life in Baden-Baden.

houses, whether small or pretentious villas, were all set amid lawns or garden patches, and the streets on which they looked were so free-embowered that they looked like little parks. One of the most sumptuous thoroughfares, bisected by a tiny river, lined with hotels and handsome villas, remains a vivid memory: as one of the finest examples we have ever seen. At the end of this parkway, the Casino, gorgeously furnished in the French style, used to be a focal point.

What made us remember Baden-Baden with such pleasure was the happy time spent ensconced in a comfortable chair on the broad lawn in front of the good band which loomed away in the adjoining promenade. Here was a good way to regain health, if indisposed, or to become even healthier and relaxed, if nothing ailed.

### Trees and Shrubs

The Trinkhalle, framed by trees and flowering shrubs—a stately building in the classic style—was surely one of the nicest places in which to drink the waters. The whole thing, the handsome, even opulent buildings, the music, created a simply splendid setting in which to woo health and well-being.

Memories of Baden-Baden sent us to our scrapbook with its pictures of the fine Russian church there. So many members of the old Russian aristocracy and wealth made their way to this Black Forest resort each year that an Orthodox Greek church was built for their benefit, its bulbous towers with their coating of gilt in a setting of green trees, creating a landmark, both beautiful and original. In the years before the war the church had few worshippers and looked rather seedy, and now, without doubt all the other buildings have taken on the same uncareful look.

(Tomorrow—Science At Work)

## BY THE WAY

LONG ago I warned the bankers that if they over provided music in their establishments Sex would rear its hideous head.

Ignoring the warning, a large bank in Toronto began recently to broadcast what is described as "Soft music during banking hours." What happened? A customer became irate when an attractive employee refused his invitation to dance. If that bank manager knew his business he would encourage dancing. Imagine how easy it would be for a pretty girl, in mid-value, to persuade her partner to get some new customers for the bank.

### Pleasure before business

Manager (dancing tango with beautiful client): Your eyes!

Client: Do I get that overcast?

Manager (his hot breath fanning her ear): Do I get that kiss?

Client: It's a deal! (They kiss.)

Manager (loudly and triumphantly): Claverton! Forgetful! All of you! Mrs. Buggett has my authority to cash cheques to any value she pleases! The sky's the limit! On with the dance!

Client: You pet! (To herself) I must get Toto and Valerie in on this.

### Strabismus on the Amazon (XI)

A CABLE from Mrs. Rawlins should interest your women readers. "On What They Are Wearing In The Jungle This Year." But the irrepressible Mrs. Rawlins has got to be before her. Under this resounding title she sends me an article of her own. It contains the one word: Nothing.

### Fireside talk

I SEE that a brisk and bouncing American has hinted that the chief horror of the next war may come, not from the air, but from under the earth; in the form of a jet-bomb which will push its way upwards. But suppose that while we are guarding against atom bombs from above and jet-bombs from below a still more frightful thing approaches sideways at us?

## YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

BORN on St. Valentine's day you are independent and will have a lot of ideas which may be new to your time and, hence, bring down criticism upon your head. But do not be dejected from your main ideal, for eventually the world will come round to thinking as you do.

You heartily dislike being interfered with and you like to give others the same freedom to agree or disagree. You want them to treat you accordingly.

By nature, you are not demonstrative in your affections and it is

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Stay on your own as much as possible today and don't speak out of turn. Hold your temper at all costs.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—If planning on opening a new business, you should be able to do so today. Ask the boss for that raise!

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—An excellent business day. Take full advantage of all prospects to increase your income.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be thrifty in all expenditures. Business conditions are now improving. Take advantage of them.

GEMINI (May 22-June 23)—New business opportunities or perhaps undertaking the adventure of marriage is indicated now.

CANCER (June 24-July 23)—Follow yesterday's lead. Don't procrastinate now. Act and the result should prove excellent.

By Fred Harman

## RED RYDER

Worse Than a Rattler



## FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

# Aid To Asia Ultimate Answer To US Farm Surplus Problem

Washington, Feb. 12.—The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Charles Brannan, said today that United States shipments of industrial equipment to Asia would contribute ultimately to solving the United States farm surplus problem.

Mr. Brannan was calling for action to increase world purchasing power in order to consume the anticipated agricultural surpluses.

In his annual report to President Truman, Mr. Brannan recommended action along the lines of the President's proposals for help for the underdeveloped nations.

He said that the current United States emphasis on Europe would be gradually shifted to the Orient.

At present the United States was sending food to Europe, thus helping an industrial area to recover and become a self-supporting market for American farm products.

Mr. Brannan said that the continued despatch of industrial equipment to China and India to help them increase their farm and food output would help to solve the United States farm surplus problem in the long run.

He said: "The enhanced farm output would provide the Oriental countries with buying power. This new farm production would not be highly competitive with American farm production since it would rest on different natural advantages. The produce would be consumed, mostly in the countries of its origin, but exported to some extent as payment for necessary imports, it would mean better trade for the whole world."

Mr. Brannan said that under no circumstances would Americans ever eat all that food or consume all the commodities which United States farms produced.

"Geared to large production for export," he said, "farmers wonder what will happen to their interests when world agriculture recovers."

He added that they need not worry so long as the improvement in world agriculture means a growth in world purchasing power through booming world trade, instead of a "stagnant" economic nationalism, such as that which piled up farm surpluses between the two wars.—United Press.

## "Oddities" In Israeli Economy

London, Feb. 12.—One of the oddities in Israel's economy, according to a correspondent in the Investor's Chronicle who has just returned from there, is the heavy discount imposed upon the pound sterling by the Israeli authorities in regard to the two most important currencies. The dollar is officially maintained at three dollars to the Israeli pound, while pound sterling stands at par, thus placing sterling at a discount of 25 per cent against the dollar. Sir Stafford Cripps won't like this. Whether Israel will eventually return to the old dollar parity of four dollars or raise sterling to 1,343 Israeli pounds remains to be seen.

"Another problem which has to be solved is whether Israel, having been ejected from the sterling area, will or will not rejoin it. If the Israelis rejoin it they believe that they will do so on their own terms in view of their large dollar revenue."

"Among the attractions for them of rejoining are the possible release of the now frozen sterling balances, the fact that normally the United Kingdom is by far the largest market for citrus fruits, and easier transferability of Jewish funds collected in countries which are members of the sterling bloc."

Another surprising feature which the correspondent noticed was the large amount of consumer goods shipped into the country which have not been paid for in foreign currencies because the exporters wanted the proceeds left in Israeli pounds banked in the country for future investment.—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARES

This morning's turnover on the Stock Exchange was \$55,285,000. Transactions and noon prices:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank			1830
INDUSTRIALS			
Underwriters	520		
DOCKS, ETC.			
Doors	20 1/2	27 1/2	
Provident	10 1/2	10 1/2	
Shai Deck	10 1/2	10 1/2	
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	15 1/2	16	500 @ 15.80
HK Land	68	67 1/2	500 @ 15.70
Shai Land	3 1/2	3 1/2	
UTILITIES			
Tram	20 1/2	20 1/2	200 @ 20.20
Star Ferry	120	120	500 @ 12
C. Light (Co)	12 1/2	12 1/2	100 @ 12.20
Electric	38 1/2	39 1/2	100 @ 38 1/2
Telephone	35	35	400 @ 35
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	40	40	
None	20 1/2		
STORES, ETC.			
Doors (New)	43 1/2		
COTTONS			
Watson (KDB)	60 1/2		100 @ 60 1/2
Zwo	8 1/2		

## Nationalists' New Financial Plan?

Shanghai, Feb. 14.—The Finance Minister, Mr. Hsu Kan, is expected to arrive here today from South China for discussions with local financial and business leaders on what the Chinese press describes as a new financial programme which the Nationalist Government was said to be intending to introduce shortly.

This programme is widely rumoured to include proposals for lifting part of the restrictions on trading in gold bars and foreign currencies. It was taken to Canton by Mr. Hsu Kan for approval by the Premier, Dr. Sun Fo, and other high Cabinet officials now in the southern city.—Reuters.

## OUTWARD MAILS

Unless otherwise stated, registered articles and parcel posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m. the registered and parcel posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office, half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14  
Closing Times By Air  
Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin, Peiping, Kuning, Luchow, Swatow, Amoy, Taipei and Tsochow 3.30 p.m.  
Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Barmen, Alexandria (Nile), Johannesburg and Harare via Alexandria  
Hankow and London (GPO) 4.30 p.m.  
(GPO) 5 p.m.  
Siam and Paris 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Amoy, Hiohow, Pakhoi via Hiohow and Saigon 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15  
Closing Times By Air  
Swatow and Amoy, 6.30 a.m. (reg); 9 a.m. (ord).  
Shanghai, 9 a.m. (reg); 9.30 a.m. (ord).  
Hiohow 3.30 p.m.  
Shanghai 5 p.m.  
Manila, Honolulu, USA and Canada 5 p.m.  
Air Parcel Posts for Manila, Honolulu and USA (GPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.  
Ordinary Airmail (Printed Matter, Samples and Small Parcel Posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA (GPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—  
Sterling pound note (per £1) 15.33  
U.S. dollar (per \$1) 30.50  
Gold bars (per tael) 8.20  
FIC plates (per 100) 22.50  
Siam baht (per 100) 30.00  
New guinea (per yuan) 60.00

## Soviet Sugar Increase

London, Feb. 13.—Moscow radio reports that the Soviet sugar industry during the first 11 months of 1948 turned out 76 per cent more sugar than in the corresponding period in 1947.—Associated Press.



